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## Sees Record Crowd At Miami Convention

BY DR. LADISLAU BIRO

Crowds will be on the march toward Miami in May. Thousands of delegates from all over the Southland will be coming by train, plane, bus and automobile to attend the Convention. According to Pastor Harold A. Davidson, chairman of the committee on reservations, hotel accommodations already have been secured through his committee alone for over 5,000 people. This number does not include those messengers who obtained their reservations directly through the management of hotels and many others who will come as guests of Miami friends. For a sizable number of people accommodations have been obtained in private homes. The most conservative estimate fixes the minimum attendance at the impressive figure of 10,000; others set the figure as high as 15,000. The largest delegation according to available figures comes from Texas. Texans, however, will be exceeded on distance traveled by a good sized delegation coming from California. Over one-half of the messengers plan to make the trip in their cars and in quite a few cases entire families are coming.

### Ample Accommodations

Regardless of how many come to the Convention, there will be no shortage of accommodations. Miami is well able to take care of the many thousands of our messengers. There will be no need for anyone to stay away for fear of not finding a place to stay. If, for some reason reservations cannot be made prior to your coming, you may come and accommodations will be made.

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## IN PRISON FOR LIFE—IN ANSWER TO PRAYER

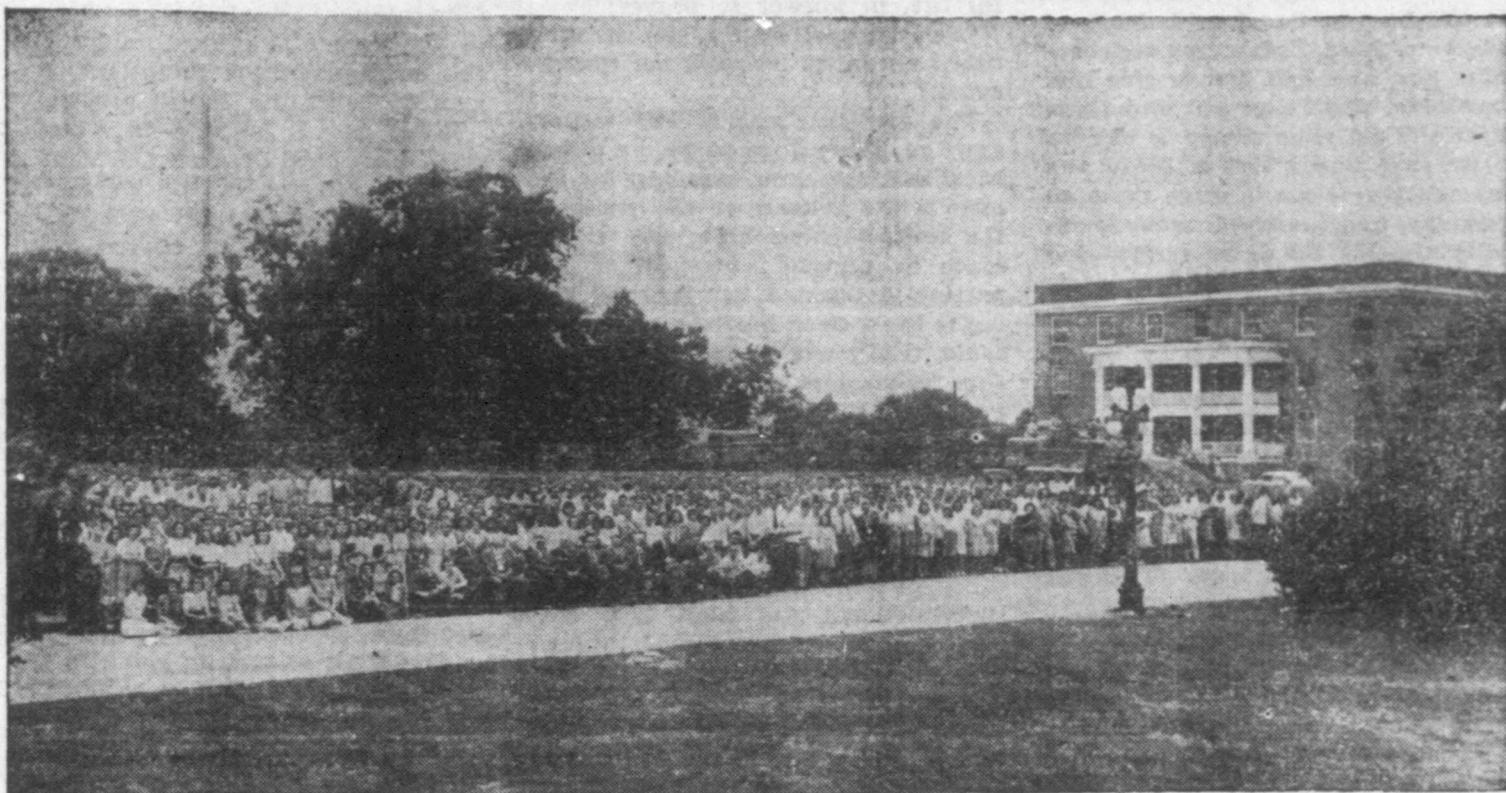
By Margie P. McCall

It did not seem possible when I first heard it. I asked an official about it. This official replied, "The man says it is true. Would you like to meet him?" I would. I did. Wearing the prison garb, he came out of the hall, into the bright spring sunshine, his face wreathed in smiles. I asked him about it, and with beaming countenance, he said:

"Well, Ma'am, it is like this . . . But I shall let him tell his own story, in his own way!"

"I was born on a small truck farm in another southern state October 13, 1904. My mother was very sick. She gave me away because she did not think she, or I, would live. But I got well, and she did, too. The lady who took care of me, then gave me back to my mother. My dad bought a fruit stand and grocery store. I was sent to school a mile and a half away. But before I finished the lower grades, I was expelled for refusing to take a whipping, which I deserved. At another school, I was given a good thrashing that I did not deserve. Next day I came to school with a pistol to shoot the professor. The other high school boys took the gun away from

## Mississippi College Has Ground Breaking



### STUDENTS, FACULTY AND ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN LEADERS TAKE PART

This picture tells the story of an historic occasion at Mississippi College. First, there are the students—Hundreds of them! More are on the way! The College exists for them—not for the faculty, trustees or parents. We must not fail them! Faculty members are at the front and center. Dr. D. M. Nelson, College President, Hon. T. M. Hederman, President Trustees, Dr. D. A. McCall, Director \$637,500 campaign and Mr. J. M. Spain, Archi-

tect, are seated at front center. In the rear the huge earth moving machines of Mr. R. G. LeTourneau are ready to tear away the crest of the hill, leveling it for the new administration building site. The exhaust of oil burning engines, the whir-r-r of turning machinery tells everybody near and far that dreams are coming true. A great day has arrived. Mississippi College is on the way! MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS ARE ON THE MARCH!

## Washington Review

FCC AND RELIGION

Observers here insist that the Federal Communications Commission is not only willing, but anxious, for churches and religious organizations to apply for construction and operating permits for standard broadcast and FM (frequency modulation) stations.

The recent FCC report which was strongly critical of stations which do not give more time to religious and

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## A BRAZILIAN DOCTOR TELLS OF HIS CONVERSION Finding Old, Abandoned Bible Results In Conversion

"With a perturbed spirit and a desire to find something that was lacking in my life, something unexplainable and indefinite, I searched among temples, religious creeds, and varied philosophies for that which might fill the awful cavity, the emptiness of my soul. The longer the search, the stronger the irons that chained and tortured my weary mind, until one night Jesus knocked at my heart's door. It was like this:

"In February of 1945, convalescing from a serious illness I went to a small place in the interior for rest and quiet. I felt a terrible loneliness for my family, and although I managed to pass the days, the nights were unbearable, because there was nothing to quiet the longing for my wife and children. The months passed like that, until one memorable night.

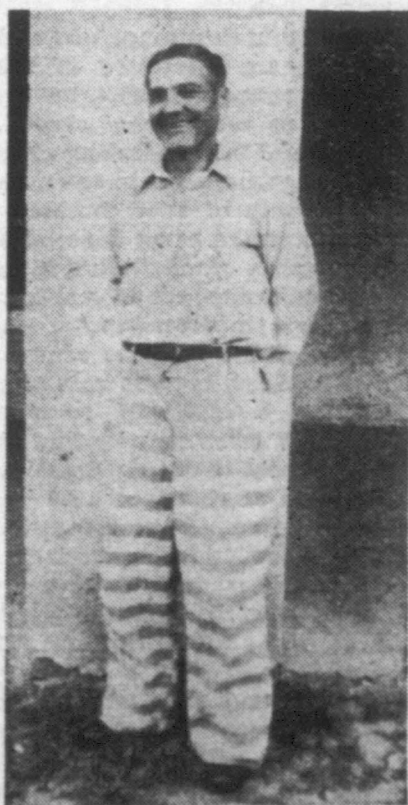
"I found on a small table by my bed an old book with the pages loose and yellow, forgotten there by someone who had lived in the house before, but only now in December was I able to identify it. The book was divinely sent—the Holy Bible, and for mere curiosity, I began to read.

"By coincidence I opened the book

of Matthew, where it describes the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. The more I read, the more interested I became. The following night I searched the pages of this book as a person with parched tongue hunts a fountain of water to quench his thirst. As time passed I began to meditate over what I had read, and concluded that I was a sinner, and by accepting what was in that Book brought by divine hands I could be regenerated and have eternal life. Jesus knocked at my heart's door, and I accepted Him.

"After a visit to my family, I returned to the interior with a brother-in-law who suffered from a serious illness that made him tremble day and night with terrible pain. A man of the world and full of sin, he could find nothing to alleviate his suffering or lighten his spirits, neither could he conform to the idea of death. Each day I read a little to him, and explained as best I could from my scant knowledge of the Bible. The result was gratifying. He became enthusiastic with the reading, and when his pain became so excruciating as to be un-

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me and gave it to the teacher, who gave me another whipping, which I then did deserve. I threatened what I

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## IN PRISON FOR LIFE—IN ANSWER TO PRAYER

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would do the next day . . . That evening I didn't know what to do. I knew if my dad would find out, he would give me a worse whipping. Along in those days lots of fellows came by the store begging. Dad called them "bums." One came in one night after dad had given to lots of others, and he turned him down.

### Shined Shoes To Help "Bum"

"This fellow begged so pitiful, and he was hungry. So when dad turned this 'bum' down, I picked up my shoe-shine box, and told dad to give him something, and I'd go out and shine shoes and get some money to pay for it. He gave him a loaf of bread and some cheese. (I use to shine shoes on Saturdays and Sundays to make something myself.) I'll never forget—dad called me back and said, 'Son, some day you gonna be a 'bum' lika him. Maybe somebody feeda you too, so you no have to pay me dis time.' Rather than take a whipping I left home, to be a 'bum.'

"At that time, World War I was at its crisis. I lied about my age and tried to join the army. Then I got a job in a cafe and was classed as the 'best hash slinger in town.' (This was in a city in my native state.)

"Then I went to fighting, and brought up and managed some of the best fighters in the south . . . One night after a 20-round fight, a man I had helped lots 'ran out on me.' I was disgusted with trying to treat people right.

"I got into bad company and into trouble. But I can't very well blame 'bad company', for it was my heart's desire, and the devil that persuaded me. I participated in many crimes and 'got away with them.' I guess I'm paying for them now, because I'm not guilty of this one. I was brought from another state on this robbery charge. Two other men pleaded guilty and got 15 years. But I wasn't afraid to stand trial, because I wasn't guilty, and I know 'who' is my Judge. The trial ended, the jury brought the verdict—death was my penalty. . . But I knew my Judge would not permit such an injustice. I appealed my case to the Supreme Court.

### Sentenced To Death

"In the meantime to my Supreme Judge daily I prayed and prayed. I found lots of Christian friends who prayed with me. The Supreme Court ruled that I must pay the death penalty for robbery of a bootlegger, in which no one was hurt. One of the robbers for his own benefit and to help himself, condemned me, thinking I would be electrocuted.

"But I still had faith in my Judge. I prayed for things, and received more than I asked in answer to my prayers. I prayed harder for more faith in my Judge, now that I was closer to Him, and He had heard me. I prayed that He might spare my life that I might know Him better and serve Him better, live for Him and carry on His work and Word. . .

"And Jesus was in the heart of a Christian Governor, who granted me a life sentence instead of death, in this state! Through the grace of God and prayer, I am alive. While there is life there is hope. I have promised to live for Jesus, and try to carry on His work. I am a member of the Inmates' Gospel Service. I'm making sincere efforts to control myself, to live a clean Christian life in the future. I want to help others to see things through

prayer as I have. I wish that all may be blessed, that they may see their loved ones, and live clean Christian lives in the future. I wish you and all your friends would pray for us.

"The height of my ambition is to deliver personally this message to every prison . . . to every school . . . to the younger generation, and tell what are the wages of crime, and the difference in life lived for the glory of God."

### Thankful For Life Sentence

"So that is why you are in prison for life, in answer to prayer!"

"Yes, Ma'am! And I am thankful that I am in for life, and not electrocuted."

The interview ended. The visitors must go. As we drove away, we looked back and saw him standing by the huge white column at the porch of the camp—behind high wire fences made to prevent entrance or departure—interested in "sincerely trying to live a clean life." . . . wishing he could tell young people everywhere that "crime does not pay" . . . desiring to know his Judge better, and live closer to Him . . . wanting to help others—In prison for life, in answer to prayer!

A Methodist preacher dedicating his life to visiting those in prison, in the office of Chaplain, and a Christian superintendent and high type employees lend encouragement to men who are free to worship as they wish, and who can get freedom from sin through the Great Judge, even though they must spend all their days behind the high wire fence at Mississippi's State Penitentiary!

In another article I shall tell of the work of this Inmates' Gospel Service of which he spoke, and tell of a young preacher who believes he has found the true answer to questions he asked of life.

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## WASHINGTON REVIEW

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cultural programs was one indication of the attitude of commissioners, but the ease with which church groups which do apply are able to get construction permits and the obvious pleasure with which commissioners grant these licenses are an even better indication.

Latest church group to get a permit to build and operate a standard broadcast station is the Detroit Annual Conference of the Methodist Church.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** The nearby Arlington (Va.) Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon), plans to construct a beautiful \$160,000 church, Bishop Byron F. Dixon announced here . . . Representative A. Leonard Allen (D-La) has taught the scriptures since 1922. He uses maps of the Holy Land to illustrate many of his points . . . The first Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy to conduct divine service for Navy personnel was the late Franklin D. Roosevelt, who, on Easter Sunday, April 1, 1934, read a service from the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer on the quarter-deck of the Nourmahal when it was discovered that the chaplain could not be present . . . The President's Flag was flown from the yacht, with officers and men of the U. S. S. Ellis in attendance . . . Chaplain (Major) John J. Dugan, of Boston, Mass., has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal by the U. S. Army for services while a prisoner of war in the Philippines. . .

OPA has lifted its price controls over custom-built furniture built for churches and other institutions.

## CONGRESS SHOWS INTEREST IN RELIGIOUS CENSUS

There was great interest among Congressmen in the census of religious bodies which is now almost certain to be taken with passage of the Department of Commerce appropriation bill.

In hearings of the committee of the House appropriations committee, many Congressmen revealed their interest in the decennial project, which has the endorsement of Protestant, Roman Catholic, and Jewish groups.

Rep. Robert F. Jones (R-O), a Methodist, questioned Dr. Philip M. Hauser, assistant director of the Bureau of the Census, regarding methods of counting heads among church members.

Dr. Hauser pointed out that the census actually is taken from the various individual churches, although every attempt is made to get reliable figures from headquarters of each church organization.

"But there is a lot of variation among the various denominations (as to membership figures)," Dr. Hauser averred. "Some groups have very, very fine figures which they can report, and they cooperate with us and help us save a lot of time in going to the specific churches. But in other denominations the situation is different.

"If, for instance, you take the Jewish group, there is no central body of any kind. As a matter of fact, there is no real set-up above the level of the individual unit which indicates the number of communicants, how many members, or how many communicants they have, so you have a very wide range of conditions."

In response to questioning from Congressmen, Dr. Hauser pointed out that the Bureau of the Census, in making the religious check, asks about 12 or 15 questions—"a one-page schedule." He said officials of the Bureau of the Census work closely with National Council of Religious Statisticians and added that members of this group have tried to get the various denominations "prepared for the census so they can get accurate and better data."

"It is not only that many of the denominations are interested in these statistics of religious bodies, but that information is very keenly needed. . . just as some of the marketing organizations and others want to know what the relationship of their business is to all the business being done, so the religious bodies want to know how their communicants are in relation to total religious membership."

The cost of the religious census in 1936 was \$196,000, but the cost of the forthcoming census will be much greater, Dr. Hauser said, hinting at a figure of about \$450,000. Explaining this, he said that "since 1936 costs have gone up on all these censuses."

"As one concrete example," he pointed out. "In the 1940 census, we had a punchcard operator getting \$1,220 a year, and turning out 1,200 cards per day. Today, her salary is about \$2,000, and she is turning out 600 cards per day."

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**The Home Mission Board** announces that Rev. W. E. Abrams has been elected as superintendent of city missions for Charleston, South Carolina, in cooperation with the South Carolina State Mission Board.

## SEES RECORD CROWD AT MIAMI CONVENTION

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be secured for you at the time of your arrival.

### Convention Grounds

The Woman's Missionary Union Convention will hold its sessions at the Central Baptist Church with Dr. C. Roy Angell as host pastor. The very attractive auditorium of the church seats around 2,200 people. The General Convention will hold its daytime sessions at the City Auditorium, where by means of extension devices an additional 1,000 people can be accommodated besides the 2,800 who can be seated in the main auditorium. The evening sessions of the Convention are scheduled to take place in the Bandshell of Bayfront Park, only a short distance from the City Auditorium and headquarters hotels. In the Bandshell 8,000 to 10,000 people can be seated.

### Hotels And Their Locations

Headquarters for the Woman's Missionary Union and General Conventions will be at the MacAllister and Columbus Hotels respectively. These two large hotels are adjacent; both located on Biscayne Boulevard in downtown Miami, overlooking Biscayne Bay; only a few blocks from the Convention grounds, bus terminal, and F. E. C. railway station. A number of other hotels in the downtown area of Miami are giving their service to the Convention. The bulk of messengers, however, will be entertained on Miami Beach, about four or five miles from the Convention grounds.

### Launching A New Century

During its century-long existence, the Southern Baptist Convention has met in Florida only three times; but never before in Miami. The Baptists of Miami feel honored and fortunate to have the pleasure of entertaining the Convention this year. The pastors and churches, laymen and women are looking forward with joyful expectation to the time of your arrival. Supported by hearty cooperation on the part of the city officials, Chamber of Commerce, newspapers, broadcasting facilities, transportation agencies and the entire citizenry of Miami, we extend to our brethren a most cordial invitation. Come that you may witness and participate in the solemn dedication of the vast potentialities of our Convention to the service of the glorious cause of God's redemptive plan through Christ, as our Convention launches a new century of service.

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**MEMPHIS, Tenn.—(RNS) —** The Memphis Ministers Association has protested to the chairman of the American delegation at the United Nations Security Council meetings against use of the bar at U.N. headquarters and the absence of opening prayers at the sessions. The ministers said they objected to "drinking and the disregard of piety and the general atmosphere of paganism which seems to have characterized the sessions of the UN thus far. "We urgently request the American delegation to work for a change in the atmosphere of the organization," the protest added.

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**Secretary Lawrence** reported to a recent meeting of the Home Mission Board that receipts for the first quarter of 1946 were 14.2% above the same quarter of 1945. Cooperative Program receipts were up 40%, while designations and trust fund receipts were off.



# Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1 Cor. 13:8

## "We preach Christ Crucified." 1 Corinthians 1:23.

### TWO IMPORTANT 1947 MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST DATES ARE SET:

Our great Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference will meet Tuesday through Friday, February 25-28, 1947, starting at 10 a. m., Tuesday morning. Dr. Criswell, Dallas, Texas, and Dr. Wall, Shelby, North Carolina, have already agreed to serve as featured speakers. Great stewardship conferences are planned for March 18-21, 1947, running Tuesday through Friday. Pastors and other church leaders should enter these dates upon their 1947 calendar of activities.

#### I

Would you like a good devotional? Then read Luke, chapters 23, 24 before going further!

Now we want to call your attention to a very sweet truth in love and loyalty you have probably missed. Note Luke 23:56. The body of the One Whom they loved better than life itself lies still in the tomb. Jesus is dead! They watched Him placed in the sepulchre. They just had to know where His body was laid! They felt they must bring spices and ointments for His precious body! They prepared them, but as their Sabbath came along they rested—according to the commandment. They believed the word of God! They obeyed the word of God! They observed the Sabbath Day! As precious as was the body of the Son of God to them they would not take the materials for His body on the Sabbath Day!

What a rebuke to us today! The Lord's Day is lost even to many church members! We use it as a day to "visit grandma and grandpa," neglecting the Lord's House and the worship of God! We use it for "taking medicine," and stay away from the House of God! It is with some a day of hunting and fishing, a day of "joy riding" and picnicking. It is a day of "all-day singing" where the spirit is frequently that of the picnic rather than worship, where the lost are seldom saved, where the preaching of the Gospel is banned and where local Sunday School and worship services are disrupted. Worship God!

#### II

For some years even in the ministry the fact of the resurrection of Jesus did not grip us. We believed in it, but that was just about all. That really need not surprise us as Paul in the third chapter of Philippians is talking about a real price he was willing to pay, "that he might know him and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his suffering," et cetera. (Philippians 3:10). To many church members His resurrection is a fact but not a power. To them it means Easter, a new outfit, a visit home or a long delayed visit to the house of worship.

We think we began to know something of the power of His resurrection as we were studying the first three chapters of Revelation. We saw Him standing in the midst of the seven churches of Asia reproving, rebuking, commending and challenging those churches. We came to see that that is exactly what He is doing today. He is in the midst of His churches in the Capital City where we write these lines. He is in the midst of His churches out yonder in the rural areas. He is still reproving, rebuking, commending and challenging. What does He find in your church? Jesus said, "If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." (John 14:23.)

The great I Corinthians 15 is the gospel chapter. The gospel is more than that ordinarily quoted. It is also the gospel of the resurrection and the manifestations. When we get started to talking on the resurrection we end up in the heavenlies, and that is the ultimate consummation. Paul, however, keeps his, their and our faith by talking about a collection, opportunity and opposition. See I Corinthians 16.

A real great resurrection chapter is Colossians 3. Let us look at it. "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above." For what is the average church member seeking? Where does the affection of the average professed Christian center? "Fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness" may be in the lives of many church members but this chapter tells us that these things brought down the wrath of God, and that covetousness is idolatry.

"Anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication" may be the little foxes that spoil the grapes—they offer proof whether one is really risen with Christ or not.

Paul further tells them that if they are risen with Christ then, "Lie not one to another." Imagine a Baptist preacher's telling a Baptist Church to refrain from lying. Paul could not have thus spoken in a Baptist Convention because the rules of order would not permit it. Paul operated under the Bible, however, and not under the rules of order.

The Holy Spirit further causes Paul to tell this New Testament Church, and us, to be risen with Christ means to be "kind, humble, meek, long-suffering, forbearing one another, and forgiving one another," and if any man have a quarrel against any, the forgiveness of Jesus is to be our measure of forgiveness.

What does it matter though Christ be risen as a fact of history unless He be risen within us?

### THERE IS POWER IN THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS!

(This is something of the heart of the message we gave at each of the two Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Conventions. The Sunday School helps make real the power of the resurrection of Christ through Bible Study, et cetera.)

#### III

Ninety-five years ago there were only 30,000 Mississippi Baptists. Today we have over 325,000. Thus our numbers have multiplied ten times and more. Ninety-five years ago we had 200 Mississippi Baptist churches. Today we have over 1600. Ninety-five years ago we gave \$5,000 to our missionary contributions. Last year we gave \$1,400,000 in missionary contributions.

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." In Old

Testament days when an individual or a people did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, it was recorded that the Lord prospered him or them. That has certainly been true in the life of Mississippi Baptists!

#### IV

Chaplains J. C. Richardson, temporary address 1630 West Orange Street, Gainesville, Florida; W. W. Izard, School for the Deaf, Nashville, Tennessee; E. L. Douglas, Clinton, Mississippi; Felix Arnold, Shannon, Mississippi; N. G. Hickman, 142 Valley Street, Jackson, Mississippi, along with others have been released from service, and some fruitful Mississippi fields should claim them, as they are all good men. J. W. Landrum, Clinton, Mississippi, expects to be released about June 15. He is another of our very fine men and should be claimed by some field.

#### V

Pastor Joel Sturdivant has led in one of the five Revivals in the 1946 Preaching Year Emphasis with marked results, in Bolivar Association. Services were held in a sharecropper's one-room cabin, with large crowds in attendance. Sunnyside Church was organized and voted to cooperate with the work of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Fourteen charter members organized the church, seven others joined later, with three for baptism. A building fund was started. Incidentally, this makes five churches Brother Sturdivant has helped in organizing. STATE MISSIONS supplements the holding of these revivals.

Rev. R. B. Patterson, Bruce, associational missionary for Calhoun and Pontotoc counties, writes that both of these associations expect to hold the five revivals in the 1946 Preaching Emphasis as a part of our State Mission program.

#### VI

The deacons of Meadville Baptist Church did a very beautiful thing for their pastor, Brother B. T. Bishop, in presenting him with a beautiful seventeen jewel Hamilton wrist watch. Now that is good timber for deacons to be made of!

#### VII

### FISHERS OF MEN

I know a man who will have almost any personal discomfort for a fishing expedition. He will endure the cold, stand all day in the water, whip the stream, eat only a sandwich or two, and come in with a pitiful catch, and be the picture of enthusiasm. But the fisher of men wants everything favorable, and the fish placed on his line by some accommodating friend, and even then is reluctant to pull him in. . .

Cried John Knox, "Give me Scotland or I die." Said Henry Martyn, "I desire to burn out for God." Thomas Coke cried, "If you won't go or send, I'll go myself." Said Carey, "If I begin a thing I'll go through with it." But where are the modern heralds? When do we hear any passionate herald of the CROSS cry, "HERE AM I; SEND ME"? We need to build the FIRES OF EVANGELISM again in the hearts of our people. The Great Commission has been framed and hung on the wall, but it has lost its authority over our lives.—John Benjamin Magee.

#### VIII

God holds us responsible for bringing our tithes and offerings into the house of the Lord. He also holds us responsible for seeing that a pro rata part goes beyond the local church. He also holds us responsible for seeing that a right percentage goes into preaching the Gospel of Christ and into teaching the Word of God. It does seem sometimes that some churches busy themselves in running after ways for spending and dissipating the monies of the Lord Jesus Christ. He will not bless such a church. One reason the fountains of evangelism have nearly dried up in many places is assuredly at this point. We do not hunger and thirst after seeing that God's monies go into preaching His Gospel and teaching His Word. Why should He give us souls when that is true? "Draw out thy soul to the hungry. Satisfy thou the affected soul." (Isaiah 58). When our souls go out to the lost, the lost come to us to hear about the Lord Jesus Christ!

#### IX

### THINK ON THESE THINGS

1. When a church member rests, he rusts.
2. The Lord's big job is to get His church into the world without getting the world into His church.
3. The biggest liar in the world is the Christian who gives excuses for not doing his duty.
4. Rip Van Winkle is the only man who ever became famous while asleep.
5. The devil is an artist. He paints sin in very attractive colors.
6. Heaven is a prepared place for a prepared people.
7. Do what you should, and you will have no time to do what you should not.—Henry C. Rogers.

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## Home Board Makes New Appointments

In the April meeting of the executive committee of the Home Mission Board, Miss Lillie S. Hernandez was appointed as kindergarten worker at Waco, Texas; Rev. Pedro Corvantes becomes missionary pastor at Lampasas, Texas; Rev. N. H. Eudaly, at Taylor, Texas; and Rev. A. Lopez, at Gonzales, Texas.

Rev. S. L. Isaacs will serve among the Navajos of New Mexico as missionary. Miss Lella Leguire, who has served as a summer student missionary, has been selected as a permanent worker. Rev. and Mrs. Russell Bowren were elected in April to serve as mis-

## Mississippi An Among Southwestern Grads

Rev. John G. Miller, a Mississippian, will be among the graduates at Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth in May.

He formerly lived in Columbia and Jackson and served in pastorates in south Mississippi before going to the Seminary. He is 28 years of age and married.

At this time the Rev. Miller is pastor at Van Alstyne, Texas.

A graduate of Mississippi College, he is scheduled to receive the B.D. degree May 10.

missionaries to the Indians on the Alamo and Canyoncita fields.



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### MOTHER

Sunday, May 12, is Mother's Day. Every day should be Mother's Day, but on this day set apart as hers, let none forget Mother. Let some tribute of love be sent to her. Time has creased her cheeks, dimmed her eyesight, plucked the bloom from her face, and sapped her strength, but she is still beautiful. Her lips may be shrunk, but they are the same lips that kissed away tears from childish cheeks. They are the same lips that kissed away the pains of falls and bumps.

Her eyes may not be able to see as far as in days gone by, but they glow with a radiance and richness that casts a halo about her head. While the distance of her sight is shortened, the length of her spiritual insight has been multiplied many times.

As one writer has said, "The sands of life are nearly run out, the road of her life's journey has nearly ended, the feebleness of old age is creeping upon her, but feeble as she is, she will go farther and reach down lower than anyone else upon the earth. When the world shall despise and forsake you . . . the dear old mother will gather you in her feeble arms and carry you home and tell you all your virtues until you almost forget that your souls is distorted by vices."

And now a word for mothers. Your place is one of power. Few men or women have attained greatness in this world without a great mother. Too often we think of the accomplishments of people and forget those influences that helped them to achieve greatness.

All our life we've heard of the work of Moses. But too seldom have we heard a word of praise for that good mother of his. Teaching her son, Moses (and getting paid for it), she was teaching Israel. Implanting in his heart the great truths of life, she was sharing in leading the Israelites toward the Promised Land.

Moses didn't choose "Rather to

suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." He learned that at his mother's knee. Moses didn't get his Israelitish sympathy from Pharaoh's court, but from his mother. When Moses was twenty-one he refused to be called Pharaoh's son. He might have worn royal Egyptian jewels and sat on the throne of Egypt, but his mother had taught him about God.

We've seen the idle bunch sitting around reading "Movie Romances" and "True Confessions". We've heard them talk about "The Old Man" and "The Old Woman". We've heard them make sneering remarks about boys and girls who show some love and appreciation for mother. But we have also noticed that those obedient and industrious boys and girls are the God-fearing, outstanding men and women of later days.

If mothers will instill in their boys and girls godly fear and godly love, ideals of honesty and fairness, there will be rooms for rent in hell and earthly dives and places of questionable pleasure will be as deserted as a graveyard at midnight.

Moses made the right choice because his mother taught him the right way to choose. Before he found out about the old sins, he learned about the old time religion . . . from his mother.

Only eternity can measure the influence and power of mothers.

As unexploded powder has no force, so is mother's influence without love. Mother's love gives force to all that she is and does. Mother's love is the key that unlocks many a hardened heart and melts the frozen soul. No mother can hope to lead her children to high places if she is stingy with her love.

On Mother's Day let us remember that the most precious thing is mother's love. To some she is only a memory, but many of us in the noon and afternoon of life are still privileged to see the winsome beauty of her face, to hear the quiet benediction of her voice and to enjoy the fragrance of her love.

May the Lord bless and keep our mothers. May His face shine upon our mothers whose deeds today determine the history of tomorrow. May His grace and abiding peace be with our mothers who love, and love, and love.

"No painter's brush or poet's pen,  
In justice to her fame,  
Has reached half high enough  
To write a mother's name.  
Thence upward to the great white throne,  
Midst music soft and sweet,  
Thank Jesus for that precious name  
And write it at His feet."

### Some Convention Problems

The 1946 session of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Miami, Florida, May 15-19; will be presented, momentous questions raised and actions taken that will help or hinder Southern Baptist work for years to come.

The Convention will be held in the Magic City of the South and in the post-war year. No longer will our people be sad, and sorrowful, because of the daily lists of casualties affecting every section of our land. The messengers will gather in a spirit of optimism and in an atmosphere of prosperity for more people now have more money than ever before.

Such conditions call for caution and care. It is easy to be optimistic under such conditions. Let us hope that over-optimism will not cause us "to bite off more than we can chew." It is easy to vote to do great things. Doing them sometimes proves a harder task. Let us "look before we leap." There are many things that will come before the Convention. Some of these are:

1. **The revision of the Constitution:** Space limitations prevent a discussion of the various changes suggested. But some changes are needed. The committee that makes the suggested changes is composed of some of the best of our Southern Baptists and the changes they propose are the results of much study and thought and deserve our most serious consideration.

2. **Myron Taylor, "Ambassador to the Vatican":** No doubt the convention will express itself on this matter. If ever there was a case of "beating the devil around the stump" this is it. The excuse which the late President Roosevelt gave for sending Mr. Taylor as "his personal representative" to the Vatican was that because of war conditions our representatives were barred from most European countries and the Vatican being neutral made it a good place to secure information. We never have thought much of the excuse, but good or bad THEN it is silly NOW.

Frankly, we think the reason President Truman continues (what we believe to be an illegal or at least an underhand method) to have Mr. Taylor as "his personal representative" at the Vatican is because he is trying to court the Catholic voters.

Baptists should speak in strong and certain terms about this matter.

3. **A director of public relations:** A committee composed of Northern Baptists, The National Baptist Convention (Negro) and Southern Baptists suggests a director of public relations to be located in Washington. Some seem

to think that this smacks of union of church and state.

We complain because some other denominations get better publicity than Baptists. Whatever the title, we need someone to publicize Baptist affairs. And this same person could (and it needs to be done) keep an eye on Congress and make known any actions of interest to Baptists. We see nothing wrong in this.

4. **A \$12,000,000 program for 1947:** The Administrative Committee of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention will recommend to a joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the state mission secretaries and editors at a pre-convention meeting in Miami a \$12,000,000 program for 1947. Five million will be the Cooperative Program goal and \$7,000,000 will be the goal for a Southwide Campaign for relief and rehabilitation of Southern Baptist work at home and abroad.

5. **An enlarged Foreign Mission program:** Never were doors open wider to missionaries. Never was money so plentiful. We need to lengthen and strengthen, but the present prosperity will not last forever. Let's enlarge our mission effort as much as we reasonably can. We need NOW to do much more for Foreign Missions. We made a great mistake following World War I. Let us do better this time.

We believe in and support all missions. But Foreign Missions needs MORE SUPPORT. In the South with less than 75,000,000 population, State and Home Missions get more than Foreign Missions while the population of the remainder of the world is approximately 1,925,000,000. With a world largely without Christ, some way should be found to give this great agency (The Foreign Mission Board) a fairer division of funds.

Within foreign fields there are probably 1,000,000,000 people. If our Foreign Mission Board is to try to reach even a small part of these possibilities it needs more money.

The world is hungering and thirsting for the message of salvation. The greatest war of history has proved the fallacy of hatred, greed and war. The gospel, the good news, if widely proclaimed and widely accepted would largely displace hatred and greed and war.

The greatest subject, the most important subject, that should occupy our Convention is evangelism. Without it, all other subjects pale into insignificance. As promoters of evangelism they assume places of great importance.

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of the Convention, let every messenger go to Miami with a determination to see that all possible emphasis is placed on being "witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth". That covers the whole world—Mississippi, America, and all foreign lands and islands of the sea.

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## A Reader Writes

U. S. Department of Agriculture  
W. R. Miskelley, County  
Administrative Officer,  
Corinth, Mississippi.

Dear Sir:

Some time ago I received a letter from you asking me to present to my people the Department of Agriculture's plan to conserve wheat products in the amount of 40%. You made several suggestions as to how this might be done. May I state that it is not my custom to present secular matters to my people of the West Corinth Baptist Church from our pulpit. However, because I consider it an almost sacred obligation for America to help feed the starving millions of the world, I broke my custom and announced your suggestions, etc.

The question was raised publicly in our congregation as to whether or not needless waste of this vital cereal was still being allowed in the manufacture of intoxicants. Then, in conference, our church instructed its pastor to seek the following information directly from the head of the Department of Agriculture:

1. In the face of starving millions, is any precious cereal grain being used at this time in the manufacture of intoxicating beverages?

2. If so, has there been any reduction asked of the brewers in their consumption of grain?

3. Exactly what per cent reduction has been asked?

Please remember, Mr. Miskelley, that our church does not seek this information from you, but through your office directly from the head of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. I think it is very evident why we want it from him.

May I say also that a copy of this will be publicized in the press.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES B. RAY, Pastor,  
West Corinth Baptist Church.

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Earnest Earl Kelley, of Ecu, Miss., who will be a senior next year at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has been elected president of the Mississippi group at the seminary for the next session. Mr. Kelly is a graduate of Mississippi College, class of 1945.

Of the nine Mississippians graduating this spring at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., six will remain at the seminary for graduate study: David Q. Byrd, Clinton; Joe D. Everett, Magee; Cecil W. Jones, Taylorsville; Charles W. Whitten, Weir; Othell Hand, Collinsville; and William Prout, Tupelo. Others of the graduating class, and their pastorates, are: Wayne Todd, who has been called as pastor of the Georgetown, (Ky.) Baptist Church; Charles A. Jolly, who goes to First Baptist Church, Portland, Tenn.; and William G. Watson, First Baptist Church, Seabee, Ky.

The Baptist Record has not better friend than T. T. Gooch of Ashland. The most recent evidence of his friendship is a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions.

Junior Auxiliaries Of Highland, Meridian Increase  
25 per cent In Enrollment Since January

The Junior Auxiliaries of Highland Church, Meridian, shown above, have had a gain of 25% in enrollment since the first of January and their weekly attendance has doubled. The weekly average attendance is 68 for five organizations, three of which meet twice a month.

Pastor E. L. Byrd is counsellor of the Royal Ambassadors. Their average attendance for February was 18. The Juanita Byrd Junior G. A.'s also had an average attendance of 18. Their counsellors are Mrs. Johnnie Rogers and Mrs. Miller Harris. The Sunbeam Band had an average attendance of 22 and they are directed by Mrs. Leonard Culpepper, Mrs. Mary Francis Watkins and Mrs. R. R. Chatham.



Members of Junior G. A., Highland Baptist: Dorene Covington, Fay Carol Dennis, Bobby Darling, Louise Evans, Eloise Gough, Aleene Green, Carolyn Harris, Jenettie Hill, Jacquelyn Hill, Anita Garrett, Nancy Lull, Barbara McLeMore, Nancy Rogers, Julia Ann Trussell, Peggy Jean Wiggins, Sylvia Ann Williamson, Patsy Williamson, Betty Bomar, Patricia Everett, Doris Cross, Janie Mae Seals, Mary Sharmon, Margaret Ann James.



Members of Highland Baptist R.A.: Donald Gordon, Ronald Haygood, Charles Rea, Howard Sadler, Jimmie Shannon, Johnnie Stewart, Buddy Thompson, Buddy Thornton, Alfred Corey, Eugene Harris, Parker Lamb, Jr., Wayne Luke, Ike McKelvaline, Billy Cross, Donald Cross, Sammy Gurney, James Ludie Guy, Jr., Jerry Luke, Hulah Anderson, Eugene Cook, Robert Corey, Gerald Axton, Lehman Key, Tommy Corn, John Folger.

Pastor Mack M. Goss, of First Church, Hartsville, S. C., had Dr. Swan Haworth of Vicksburg, and Fred Scholfield of Georgetown, S. C., with him for revival services during April. The church was ready for the meeting and more than 100 were received into the membership, ninety of them on profession of faith.—W. H. Morgan.

Pastor R. A. Morris of Newton reports two additions by baptism and five by letter on May 5.



Sunbeams, Highland Baptist: Jean Lull, Billy Lamb, Alfred Corey, Edward S. Byrd, Davis Byrd, Jean McBryde, Bobby Chatham, Julian Bomar, Russelyn Dennis, Jacquelyn Sanders, Elizabeth Sanders, Thomas Dennis, Betty Harrison, Janice Everett, Diane Van Egmond, Peter Van Egmond, Jimmy Evans, Stephany Lloyd, Rose Lloyd, Butch Stacy, Betty Faye Null, Betty Lyn Culpepper, Gene Harrison, Arnold Walker, Frances Cross, Carol James, Buddy Clark, Graham Ezell, Darrell Sanders, Peggy Thigpen, George Hunter, Lawrence Hunter, Edward Stuart, Julia Riley, Jerry Moore, Tommy Seales, Joseph Collum, Kenneth Harmon, Lester Rooker, Nita Rooker, Jerry Gurney, Dana Sanders, Jr.

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The fourth annual observance of Religious Book Week, sponsored by The National Conference of Christians and Jews, has been set for May 5-12. A helpful Religious Book List has been prepared, giving suggestions on some of the best books for separate groups of Jewish, Catholic, and Protestant readers. This project is designed to stimulate laymen to read books of spiritual value, which is a very worthy purpose. One of the great needs of our times is for people to read more solid, substantial books which will give a spiritual outlook on life and furnish guidance in better living. These book lists may be secured by addressing The National Conference of Christians and Jews, Inc., 381 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, N. Y.

Of the five individuals in the state who have received the Master Gold Seal Diploma (for forty-eight books), three are members of First Church, Philadelphia. They are, Mrs. E. S. Cole, Mrs. Kenneth D. Hall and Mrs. V. C. Moss. The other two, Miss Carolyn Madison, Jackson, and Miss Mattie Mae Vivrette, Ellisville Junior College, are former members of the Philadelphia church.

Six departments of the First Baptist Sunday School of the Philadelphia Church, have attained the standard for the present year. The other three departments hope to attain the standard soon. This Sunday School was the first in the Southern Baptist Convention to attain the Advance Standard, which it has reached three years. Prospects are good that they may attain this goal this year.

You may not agree with all the conclusions of Kirby Page in his book NOW IS THE TIME TO PREVENT A THIRD WORLD WAR, but it is interesting reading. The book sets forth the causes of World War I and World War II and offers ways to prevent World War III. The paper bound edition sells for \$1 and the cloth bound edition for \$2.50. Order from the author at La Habra, California.

A BRAZILIAN DOCTOR TELLS OF  
HIS CONVERSION

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bearable he would ask me to read to him from the Sacred Word.

"One day he said he was ready to die, and could stand in the presence of God, because he had truly repented and accepted Christ as his Savior. He was clearly conscious when he made this statement. He lived several months more. On the eve of his death, he told me in the presence of his mother that in a vision Jesus appeared to him, nailed to a cross, having returned to receive him unto Himself. Calmly and serenely he departed.

"Returning to Rio again to visit my family, I met two distinguished pastors, W. B. McNealy and J. J. Cowser, who helped me in my new life. Mr. McNealy explained some things about the Baptist church and Mr. Cowser enlightened me on many things concerning the Gospel. After helping me in many things he then sent me to the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dr. John Soren, who helped to make everything easy for me. I can say today with certainty that nothing is lacking in my life. I found what I was looking for. My prayer is that the words of this story may serve to stimulate those who feel the same longing that I felt and that they may seek and find the Truth."—Dr. Bernadino Santos, M. D.

(Note: Since the writing of this story Dr. Santos has been baptized and is now a member of the First Baptist Church of Rio. He preached recently in Mr. Cowser's church and there were two conversions.)

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Gulfport: Pastor J. M. Edwards sends in the following names of the officers of a newly organized B. Y. P. U. at New Hope Church, Gulf Coast Association, president, Vernell Anderson; vice-president, Alma Engel Hart; secretary and treasurer, Myrtes Anderson; group captains, Allen Breland and Nina Faye Kendrick; quiz leaders, Woodrow Breland and Laferri Fore.

The pulpit of the West Laurel Baptist Church was supplied by Rev. William Hearn Sunday night, April 14th. The son of Deacon and Mrs. U. V. Hearn of this church, William was licensed to preach just a few Sundays ago and we were glad to have him in the pulpit here so early in his ministry. A large crowd welcomed him and much praise of his message has been heard. He is at present a student at Clarke Memorial College and shows promise of being greatly used of the Lord.

A former Chaplain in the Navy, Rev. Ambrose C. Dugger, his wife and son, are available for preaching and singing in evangelistic meetings. Among the instrumental music they can furnish are the violin, flute, accordion and the mellophone. Anyone interested in securing the services of these may contact them at 1601 Second Avenue, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

The First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, has received 176 Study Course Awards during the first months of the present Sunday School year. These awards have come without any special campaign, having flowed out of a normal church life.

The Second Baptist Church of Greenville is growing in many ways. In addition to other forms of progress Mrs. F. D. Linnell recently sent three additional names for Second Church list.



## Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Webb Brame, Yazoo City Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

**BOYS! HERE'S THE FINE NEWS  
YOU HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR!  
R. A. CAMPS WILL BE HELD!**

### CAMP GARAYWA

(Near Clinton, Miss.)

Camp will be held in tents on the site of our new camp. The tents will be pitched over a concrete floor (the permanent floors of our cabins). It will be impossible to have the cabins ready but the floors will be ready and tents pitched over the floor.

We already have our DEEP WELL and pump—so that means plenty of WATER!! The R.E.A. current will be available—so that means LIGHTS!!

A number of delays has kept us from being able to have the buildings ready in time for R. A. Camps.

We thought you would like this "tent camp."

### How To Reach Camp

1. If you are driving—come to Clinton, drive west past the College (on Highway 80) and turn left at the sign CAMP GARAYWA, go about one mile and turn left at the sign CAMP GARAYWA.

2. If you are coming by bus to Jackson, there will be a special bus leaving in front of the Tri-State Station at 4 p. m., June 10 for Intermediate R. A. Camp.

For the Junior R. A. Camps there will be a special bus leaving in front of the Tri-State at 10 a. m., on June 18, June 25, July 2.

Intermediate Camp — June 10-15 (begins with evening meal)—Cost \$8.-50. (Closes after lunch Saturday).

Junior R. A. Camps:  
June 18-22, Districts 6, 7, Cost \$6.00.  
June 25-29, Districts 2, 3, 4, Cost \$6.00.

July 2-6, Districts 1, 5, 8, Cost \$6.00.  
Junior Camps begin at 11 a. m., opening date, closes after lunch on last date.

### What To Bring To Camp

Your Bible, R. A. Manual, armband if hold any degree in the R. A. Ranking System, pencil, notebook, musical instrument and sheet music if have any, bathing suit, tennis racket, and balls if you play, pillow case, sheets, towels, soap and other toilet articles—and a spirit of cooperation. A Kodak and a flashlight will come in well.

Reservation blanks and health certificate blanks will be sent later.

## Bible Institute Alumni To Hold Victory Meeting

The Baptist Bible Institute Alumni Association will hold its annual meeting in the form of a Victory Luncheon, Friday, May 17, 12:30 p. m., at Lilley's Restaurant, 829 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida. Matters of far-reaching importance will be discussed. Dr. Eugene Patterson, Alumni President, will preside. Fred C. Schatz, Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association, will make a report on the work for the past two years. The completion of the building campaign will be celebrated and a new program of work presented. The Institute quartet will sing and a special program of entertainment has been planned. The feature of the meeting will be a message from Dr. Duke K. McCall, retiring president of the Institute. Reservations for this event must be made in advance. The price is \$2.00 per person. Tickets may be secured by writing Fred C. Schatz, 1220 Washington Avenue, New Orleans 13, Louisiana.

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## BASSFIELD HAS GREAT DAY

April 28, at the Bassfield church, was a great day. A "Listening-In Breakfast" was given for the intermediates at the home of the superintendent, Mrs. S. Clark, followed by a preaching service dedicated to missions. Without previous announcement, the Foreign Mission offering was \$323. Also, one came for baptism. The occasion truly called for the singing of the doxology.

In the afternoon the young people visited in the community, giving invitations for the night service, which was dedicated to them, as one of the finest groups in any church. The whole day was outstanding.

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Dr. B. O. Herring, former Bible professor, Baylor University, has accepted presidency of Golden Gate Theological Seminary at Oakland, California. The Seminary is sponsored by California Southern Baptists.

## OLDTOWN CHURCH PROVES IT CAN BE DONE

### CHANGES FROM QUARTER TO FULL TIME PROGRAM

By R. B. PATTERSON

Associational Missionary, Calhoun and Pontotoc Counties

Oldtown church is the only full time church in this section of Calhoun county. Organized in 1901, with ten charter members, one of whom, Mrs. J. R. Harrelson still lives, its first pastor was Rev. R. E. Wallace with a salary of \$25 per year. Since then it has been the pastorate of J. F. McKibben, J. H. McGregor, L. F. Dorroh, J. S. Dorroh and the present one, Rev. R. H. Harville.

Under Rev. J. S. Dorroh, the church organized a Sunday school and Training Union and as the offerings increased considerably went to half time.

In October 1942, Rev. Harville came and instituted the unified budget and the increased offerings to the extent that the last associational year it gave more than \$2,000 under half time. He also formed an adult union and started a mid-week prayer service, and has led the church to build a nice pastor's home.

In January 1946, a full time program was launched and a pastor's home was built and paid for. With a membership of 215, there is an average attendance of 100 in Sunday School, 80 in the Training Union and attendance for the mid-week service in excellent.

Oldtown maintains a weekly officer's and teachers' meeting and gives 25 percent of all offerings through the co-operative program.

Deacons are J. F. Bryant, J. F. Harrelson, O. W. Murphree and Ottis Porter.

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The Mississippi group held its annual spring banquet at the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, on Friday night, April 17, with Dr. D. A. McCall, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, as principal speaker.



Blue Mountain, Miss., April 22—Floris Gore, Marks (left), has been named editor of The Mountaineer, yearbook of Blue Mountain College, and Harriet Lowrey, Blue Mountain (right), has been elected business manager.

## First Church, Kosciusko Breaks Record

Five hundred thirty-eight present in Sunday School and 210 in Training Union was an attendance record in advance of all former records for the Kosciusko First Church on Easter Sunday. Also record breaking at the morning worship hour was the \$7,100 offering which included a special, voluntary offering through envelopes to the Building Fund, the actual morning offering being equal to the adopted church budget for 1940.

On Easter Sunday evening Missionary J. H. Ware gave the opening address for the Church School of Missions which was held in the Kosciusko First Baptist Church during the week of April 21-26. Under the direction of Miss Auris Pender simultaneous schools of missions were conducted in the following Attala County churches and church of the neighboring vicinity: Askerman, Mount Moriah (Choctaw County), New Zion, Ethel, McCool, Weir, Kosciusko First, Kosciusko West Side, McAdams, Hurricane and Sallis. Other missionaries speaking during the week were: Misses Jessie Green, Gladys Keith, Pearl Caldwell, Mrs. H. P. McCormick, and Rev. D. O. Jernagin. These workers came to Attala County from Holmes County where similar simultaneous schools of missions were conducted the preceding week.

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## On Mother's Day

Three things we must do  
If we would be true  
On Mother's Day.

1—Send a message to Mother to tell her we still remember and love and care;

2—Go to church and Sunday school to show our faith in Mother's religion and her Lord;

3—Make a gift to our hospital to care for some other Mother and express gratitude for our own.

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Trustees of Baptist Bible Institute New Orleans, will recommend to the Southern Baptist Convention that name of the school be changed to New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

More than 100,000 saw the Easter pageant in the Wichita mountains near Lawton, Oklahoma. Berlin had its first Easter parade in seven years.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

	S.S.	B.T.U.
Merigold	110	—
Jackson, Parkway	524	152
New Albany	528	231
Vicksburg, First	629	206
East McComb	324	136
Vicksburg, Bowmar Ave.	222	114
Centerville	163	42
West Laurel	430	115
Picayune, First	351	82
Picayune Mission	14	—
Newton	367	—
Batesville	186	64
Beaumont	106	55
Wellman, Lincoln County	59	77
O'Tuckolofa, Yalobusha County	74	—
Pascagoula, First	488	122
Brookhaven, First	628	142
Philadelphia, Lincoln County	70	75
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	642	270
Jackson, First	1,117	281
Jackson, Calvary	1,230	301
Jackson, Calvary, including Stone St. Mission	1,287	—
Daniel, Hinds County	211	70
Mantee	107	—
Jackson, Van Winkle	240	112
New Fellowship, Jasper County	47	—
West Corinth	198	99
Kreole, First	81	51
Enon, Panola County	57	54
Bruce	168	72
Tupelo, Harrisburg	231	83
Houlka, Chickasaw County	75	41
Wallerville	89	56
Center, Union County	139	44
Summit	139	113
Ecu	124	37
Pascagoula, Eastside	77	31
Providence, Lauderdale County	39	—
Crowder	208	111
Crowder, including mission	296	—
Louisville	364	132
Louin	72	36
Ellison Ridge, Winston County	158	121
Agricola	90	58
Sturgis	58	31
Raleigh	252	—
West Point	376	118
Darling	40	—
Harperville	104	—
Byram	64	75
New Zion, Copiah County	96	54
Laurel, First	587	126
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Pascagoula, First	472	119
Houlka, Chickasaw	88	39
East McComb	321	134
Decatur, Clarke-Venable	212	99
West Corinth	167	95
Mantee	123	—

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A Coptic archeologist, Dr. Sami Gabra, has discovered several letters written more than 2,400 years ago which corroborate some of the material found in Jeremiah.



## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Box 530; Phone 2-1600  
JACKSON, MISS.  
CHAS. W. HORNER, Secretary

### Nineteen Colleges Represented At Retreat

Nineteen colleges of the state were represented at the Decatur Retreat. They are: Meridian Junior, Clarke Memorial, East Central Junior, Mississippi Southern, Mississippi College, Pearl River Junior, Northwest Junior, Sunflower Junior, Perkinson Junior, Belhaven, MSCW, Copiah-Lincoln Junior, Wood Memorial, Blue Mountain, Jones Junior, Ole Miss, State, Hinds Junior, and Delta State. Seven people were registered from no particular college.

Mississippi College and Blue Mountain tied for the number present, having twenty each. Clarke led the junior colleges with fourteen. Northwest Junior, Senatobia, brought their five the greatest distance.

### Owe Gratitude To Old Council

All of us owe our deep gratitude to the following members of the outgoing State Council: Dot Lee Jefferson, Blue Mountain, president; Frank Moak, Ole Miss, first vice-president; Judith Steele, MSCW, second vice-president; Joyce Moulder, Mississippi Southern, third vice-president; Martha Hamilton, MSCW, secretary; David Mayhall, Mississippi College, treasurer; Katherine Kirby, Ole Miss, magazine representative; Jean Anderson, Blue Mountain, reporter; Miriam Hollis, Mississippi College, Ridgecrest representative; Jackie Thompson, Clarke College, extension chairman; Betty Thompson, MSCW, talent director, and Dr. J. D. Franks, Columbus, pastor-adviser.

### Think, Pray For Fall Convention

Already Frank Moak and I and perhaps a good many others are thinking about and praying for next fall's Convention. Please join us. This conclave will probably be held the third week-end of October, place to be announced later.

### Fifteen Youth Revivalists Signed Up

Fifteen are listed to date as being interested in doing Youth Revival work this summer. Only three of these are boys, however. Let's have others of the so-called stronger sex as well as some others of the weaker. If you know of a pastor or a church who would like to have a team of Youth Revivalists this summer, please let me know.

If you are interested in doing Sunday School, Training Union, or RA, GA, YWA work, I'm sure that Mr. E. C. Williams, Mr. Auber Wilds, or Miss Edwina Robinson, respectively, would be glad to hear from you at Box 530, Jackson.

### Ridgecrest Ramblings Related

If you are interested in assisting with the recreation at Ridgecrest, please send me your name.

If you have a movie camera, or can get one, and would like to take movies as our State delegation leaves for North Carolina, let me know.

The manager at Ridgecrest writes that he is placing 15 of us in the hotel (Pritchett Hall), prices \$2.75-\$3.50 per day; a larger number in the Lane Cottage, prices \$2.00-\$2.50 per day, I THINK; 20 to 30 in one of the Bird Huts, \$2.00 per day, and about 25 in a cottage just up Tupper Road

## SIGHT-SEEING TRIPS PLANNED AT MIAMI

Sightseeing at Miami is being censored according to Rev. Don McClellan, Chairman of the Sight-seeing Committee for the Southern Baptist Convention. "Because all sight-seeing tours conducted in and around Miami, as well as those to Havana, Cuba, invariably take one into objectionable places", the Miami sight-seeing committee has arranged with sight-seeing agencies for trips that will be acceptable to Christian visitors.

In the instance of Miami sight-seeing tours, the committee, in cooperation with the owners of certain sight-seeing boats, has worked out a jungle cruise which includes Pirates Cove and tropical gardens, and a conducted tour through Florida's oldest Indian village where alligators and crocodiles, historical Miami river, Bayfront Park, Miami's incomparable skyline, and the new Rickenbacker Causeway will be seen.

In the Havana tour, the committee is working with two travel agencies both of which were only too glad to work out a combination city-country trip which will take visitors in private limousines into everything in Havana of interest—in Old Havana, New Havana, Old City Wall, Columbus Shrine, Presidential Palace, Maine Monument, Prado Promenade, La Fuerza Fort (1544), Cigar Factory, Merced Church, Tropical Gardens, Old Morro Castle and Fortress, First Baptist Church, Baptist Mission, and in fact, you do not miss anything.

Reservations should be made through Rev. Don McClellan, 800 N. W. 14th Street, Miami, Florida.

north from Crystal Springs Lodge, prices \$2.00-\$2.50 per day, I imagine. Students, when you send in your names and dollars (\$1.00 registration fee, you know), give me your preferences of locations and I'll do the best I can for you. Prices include meals.

Only ten of the seventy or so who have indicated they are going to the "Land o the Sky" have sent their dollars so I can register them. Git dose dollahs in, chillun, if you want me to register yo' fore we git dere. Another thing, everybody, including those who have already written me, please let me know right away whether you want to go with the rest of the crowd from Mississippi, and if so, whether you would rather go by train than by bus, or vice versa. The train will be about \$30 round trip; the bus much less, if we can get one. Train's more comfortable; bus is cheaper.

The opening service is at 7 p. m., June 5th; closing service, noon June 12th.

### Peregrinations

Leonard Holloway, graduate of Mississippi College, more recently at the Southern Seminary, and now back at MC to teach awhile, says he bought a dictionary just to look up peregrination. I think he's kidding, don't you?

Since last report, the Decatur Retreat has comprised most of our traveling. Have talked with some Jackson pastors about the work here, was a guest of my brother-in-law at the Jackson Y's Men's Club, have been trying to catch up on correspondence, arrange for Ridgecrest and many other things. Ole Miss, Belhaven, and Mississippi Southern are at this writing, ahead. See you subsequently.

## CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.  
CALLED AND ACCEPTED

Roy E. Harlan, Hebron Church, Detroit, Michigan.

T. E. Daugherty, First, Fort Thomas, Kentucky from Hazlewood Church, Louisville.

Ben Scarborough, First, Summerville, Ga.

C. W. Bardridge, Obion, Tenn., from Newburn.

Arthur L. Walker, First, Richmond, Kentucky from First, Pruden, Tenn.

C. E. Hereford, First, Corpus Christi, Texas from First, Lubbock.

G. E. Blackburn, First, Robbins, North Carolina.

E. T. Porter, North Rome, Florida from El Bethel.

O. L. Patterson, Billings, Oklahoma from Keifer.

C. W. Turner, Missouri, Oklahoma from Oilton.

John A. Morgan, Sr., Central, Spruce Pine, North Carolina from chaplaincy.

Clyde Kirby, Tazewell, Virginia from Kilmarnock.

Bland Taylor, Creswell, North Carolina from Matthews.

E. M. Collier, Abingdon, Virginia from chaplaincy.

Douglas A. Clark, Oak Grove Church, Back Bay, Virginia.

W. R. Fore, Oceanway Church, Jacksonville, Florida.

T. N. Snow, West Columbia, Texas from chaplaincy.

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## Chaplains Available For Pastorates

Below we list the names and addresses of several chaplains who are now available for pastorates.

Elwin L. Skiles, 34, 206 Dundee, Richmond, Virginia.

Hoyt C. Huddlestoh, 39, Lebanon, Tenn.

James W. Cummins, 34, 361 S. Western Parkway, Louisville 11, Ky.

John C. Searcy, 39, Avondale, North Carolina.

Philip Henry Tomlinson, 35, Box 310, Petersburg, Va.

Marion E. Parker, 31, Box 193, Fullerton, Ky.

Ralph H. Zumwalt, 43, 330 Garfield, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

James Smart, 52, Hamilton, Texas.

Elijah G. Willis, 50, Belcross, North Carolina.

Ralph W. McKinney, 39, 122 E-B Street, Central, South Carolina.

Charles W. Trent, 44, 1105 E. 7th Street, Winfield, Kansas.

Anthony C. Rudloff, 40, Festus, Missouri.

James W. Taylor, 33, 1422 Hussion St., Houston, Texas.

Wenntt E. Sutterfield, 43, Weston, Missouri.

James R. Wyatt, 42, 615 Monroe Avenue, Cape Charles, Va.

Boardman W. Edwards, 30, 264, Florence, S. C.

William J. Clements, 48, Lake Butler, Fla.

James E. Carroll, 33, 700 West "C" Ave., Glendale, Arizona.

Maurice E. Taylor, 42, 1401 Woodward Ave., Orlando, Fla.

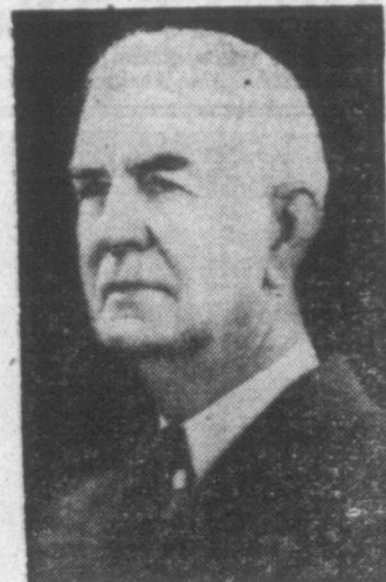
James Allen Zimmerman, 29, Greenburg, Kansas.

John B. Diggins, 41, Parks, Texas.

Thomas H. DeHart, 35, Rt. 1, Versailles, Ky.

Truett O. Sheriff, 35, 1813 Doyce Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

Morris S. Roe, 33, 1717 N. E. 14th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.



M. P. L. BERRY

One of the finest men connected with the Educational work in Mississippi is the genial M. P. L. Berry, former president of Hillman College, now Dean of the Hillman Division of Mississippi College, and invaluable assistant in all worthwhile tasks on the campus.

As a school administrator, Mr. Berry made an enviable record. In his new position he is proving equally as successful. One particular assignment from which he has received the keenest pleasure, has been helping the ex-service men get situated and ready for school. His "G.I. Joes" as he calls these men are his pride. If he could have had rooms ready for every one that came, his happiness would have been complete. As it is, under the shortage existing, he has left nothing undone to provide the best possible locations for them. Working closely with President D. M. Nelson, Dean Berry is proving to be one of the most popular men on the campus. He is never too busy, never too tired, to take up all the time needed to help a man as far as he can. The clock means nothing to him, for he works day or night. In describing his assignment, with his customary wit he says he is officially "the G. I. Taker Inner; Waste Cutter Outer; Building Fixer Upper; Cost Cutter Downer and Victual Mart Surround-er." His continuous, cheery whistle and the flower perpetually in his button hole are marks that numberless Hillman students remember affectionately, and that new ones are learning to appreciate every day.

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## AMPLE ROOMS AVAILABLE FOR S. B. CONVENTION

Visitors planning to attend the Southern Baptist Convention are assured of rooms for the sessions scheduled for Miami, Florida, May 15-19.

Concerning rooms, Rev. Harold A. Davidson, chairman of the reservations committee has made the following statement:

"The Greater Miami Hotel Association assures that there will be ample rooms available during the Convention. Probably there will be those who have not received confirmation from hotel assignments, and to these we want to assure that they will have accommodations. In the Convention Hall we will have a reservation booth to care for them. Then, too, we feel sure that there will be many homes with rooms at a very reasonable price to those who cannot pay hotel prices."



## BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary - - - Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi  
Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson



MARY D. WILDS

In our District Conventions we will have a conference for the Story Hour Leaders and children combined. It will be more in the way of a demonstration of Story Hour work. Mary D. Wilds of Oxford will conduct this conference and we urge all Story Hour children and workers to attend the conference. It will be a good time to exchange ideas on the work as well as to witness the demonstration.

## Book Store At Conventions

This year, as usual, we will have a good book exhibit at each of our District Conventions. The books will be for sale so come with the idea of carrying some good books home with you. Books are always acceptable as presents, buy them for presents for your loved ones and friends. If you will drop us a card letting us know what books you would like for us to have at the convention we will be glad to add them to the list.

This year each convention opens at 1:30 in the afternoon and runs through an evening session. A good, full program has been planned. We will give an outline of it in this department within the next week or two.

Where are you going my pretty maid?  
To the District Convention, the lassie said.

And why are you going? If I may ask,  
To learn how better to perform my task!

In Baptist Training Union--

## Siwel Training Union

The Training Union of the Siwel Baptist Church, Hinds-Warren Association, had a study course in March with an average attendance of 43. The Junior Union was 100% in attendance. The faculty was made up of capable students from Mississippi College: Wayne Coleman, David Mayhall, Miss Ware and Miss Waggener, they taught the adults, young people, intermediates and juniors respectively. This Training Union has reached their goal of an enrollment of 60 and have set the goal of 75. Every fourth Sunday afternoon is visitation day and the results are remarkable. Mr. W. C. Ward is the director and he is also director of Group Three in the Hinds-Warren Associational Training Union. May God continue to bless this group of workers and be with us in all we undertake to do.—Mrs. C. W. McGehee, Reporter.



FRANK E. SKILTON

The adults have a treat in store for them at the District Conventions. The conference for adults will be led by Mr. Joe Abrams. Mr. Abrams came to the Training Union Department April 1st, and has already made a number of new friends. His conference will be most helpful to all who attend it. He will also have the closing period of the convention which we expect to be a fitting climax to the program.

Mr. Frank E. Skilton, Director of Public Relations, Blue Mountain College, is to be one of the speakers at the District Training Union Conventions in June. Mr. Skilton is widely known in the state, having been with us in these conventions several times, and greatly loved by his many "little friends" as well as large ones. He will have an exhibit of Blue Mountain College that will be interesting to all.

Mr. J. W. Robinson, secretary of the Panola County Associational Training Union reports that in their last meeting they had 115 present from 15 churches. There were nine preachers present. That is a demonstration of the fine interest being taken in this going organization.

## Mississippi Association And Gillsburg Church Observe Youth Week

Mrs. A. G. Felder, Associational Director for Mississippi Associational Training Union reports a unique innovation in the Associational Training Union program at their last meeting. The "Youth Week" idea was carried out and all the officers were displaced on that day with young people. It proved an interesting and helpful meeting. The following week the Gillsburg church, of which Mrs. Felder is a member, observed Youth Week. All offices in the church, including pastor, were filled with young people for the week. It proved to be a week of intensive training for this group of fine young people. The church was also blessed. This was one of the many churches over the entire south that cooperated in this annual feature of Training Union work.

## Booneville Training Union Reorganizes And Is Growing Nicely

The recent Training Union revival in the Booneville church enlisted an average attendance of 65 and the spirit was "simply wonderful" according to Pastor Sansing. The five departments of Training Union are

## ANOTHER ONE PROUD OF MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

By REV. J. W. LEE

In the issue of March 14, Brother Fred B. Bookter says he is proud of Mississippi College because of its president. He says many good things about a worthy man, but Brother Bookter did not tell the whole truth.

In fact, it would be difficult to tell the whole truth since there is so much of it. Perhaps no one among us is in a better position to know what Dr. Nelson is worth to my dear old Alma Mater than I. I was a member of the Board of Trustees a long time before Dr. Nelson became our college president. I was removed from the college board and put on the Education Commission. We employed Dr. Nelson as secretary. He was only a professor in Mississippi College. He gave only such service to the Commission as he could without neglecting his duties as professor. At that time the college had an endowment of only \$245,000 and therefore could not qualify for membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Under Dr. Nelson's leadership as Secretary of the Education Commission the endowment increased to \$575,000 which qualified it for associational membership. All friends of Mississippi College rejoiced with Mr. Provine, who was president. It was most natural then that when Dr. Provine resigned the presidency the minds and hearts of the Trustees should turn to the young professor who was an alumnus of the college and had demonstrated his love and fitness for the presidency of his Alma Mater.

Upon the death of Dr. J. P. Williams, I was put back on the college board. The College was heavily in debt as Brother Bookter has told you. With my limited vision and lack of financial ability, I did not believe the large debt could be paid without a bond issue by the Convention and the Convention already owed over a half million dollars. I walked by sight and not by faith. Dr. Nelson, as God's servant, paid this \$491,000 Brother Bookter has told you about. It took him a long time to do it.

I was so happy when the last dollar was paid I gave a banquet and invited all the white employees of the College, their wives and former employers. Among the friends invited were Dr. Lipsey and Mrs. A. J. Aven. My recollection is I paid for 92 plates. My joy ran over because something had been done that I thought was an impossibility. The truth is God did it, yet I delighted to honor him whom God so signally uses. Dr. Nelson not only led in paying the large debts of the College, but provided that when a teacher reaches the age limit or has to retire because of ill-health, he shall have a monthly check according to his length of service. This provision applied to Drs. Eager and Sharp who had retired long before this act was passed by the Board.

I speak as the oldest member of the Board both in length of service and age. Dr. Nelson has had the sympathy and hearty cooperation of the Board.

operating with good attendance. Taylor Smith is the new director. Since then Youth Week has been observed with marked success. The Sansings are happy in their new field, moving to Booneville February 1st.

A CATECHISM  
— OF —  
BIBLE TEACHING

— By —

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This Catechism may be purchased from the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., or from the Baptist Book Store for five cents a copy.  
(Continued from Last Week:)

## LESSON XV. THE FUTURE LIFE

1. Do men everywhere believe in a future life? In all nations and races men have generally believed in a future and endless life.

2. Does the Bible confirm this belief? The Bible leaves no room to doubt that every human being will always continue to exist.

3. What becomes of the soul at death? The soul is undying, and passes at once into blessedness or suffering. 2 Cor. 5:8; Luke 16:23-28.

4. What becomes of the body after death? The body returns to dust, but it will rise again. Gen. 3:19; Eccles. 17:7; Acts 24:15.

5. Will the same body live again? Yes, the very same body will live again, but greatly changed as to its condition and mode of life. I Cor. 15:42-44.

6. What is meant by the day of judgment? The day of judgment means a great and awful day, on which the living and the dead will stand before Christ to be judged. Acts 17:31; Matt. 25:31-32; 2 Cor. 5:10.

7. To what will Christ condemn the wicked? Christ will send the wicked away to everlasting punishment in hell. Matt. 25:41-46.

8. To what will Christ welcome the righteous? Christ will welcome the righteous to everlasting blessedness with him in heaven. Matt. 25:34, 46.

9. Will there be different degrees of punishment? The future punishment will be greater according to the degrees of sin, and the knowledge men had of God's will and of the way of salvation through Christ. Luke 12:47, 48; Mark 12:40.

10. How is hell described in the Bible? Hell is a place of darkness and torment, of endless sin and endless suffering.

11. How is heaven described? Heaven is a place of light and holiness, of freedom from all sorrow and temptation, of blessed society and thankful praise to God. Rev. 7:9, 10:21-4.

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## MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

May 13—Rev. George H. Gay, Convention Board Member, Chickasaw County; Miss Bessie Purvis, Jones County Associational Training Union Director.

May 14—Horace Headrick, Trustee, Property of Clarke College; J. E. Buchanan, Business Manager, Blue Mountain College.

May 15—Pray for S. B. C. representatives in session at Miami, May 15-19; Mrs. J. C. Hays, Associational W. M. U. Superintendent, Leflore County, District 2.

May 16—Dr. J. P. Kirkland, Blue Mountain College Trustee; Mrs. H. T. McLaurin, Associational W. M. U. Superintendent, Newton County, District 6.

May 17—Rev. W. E. Lee, Panola County Convention Board Member; Mrs. R. N. Hudspeth, Benton County Associational Training Union Director.

May 18—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, President State W. M. U.; Dr. R. L. Senter, Itawamba Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

May 19—Mrs. Annabelle Alexander, office Secretary, Brotherhood Department. Miss Daunie Jean Smith, office secretary, B. S. U. Department.





## Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

### RESOLUTION OF ORGANIZATION

Since many matters of vital importance to the Brotherhood Convention are involved in the resolution which served as a basis for the Convention organization, we are presenting it in our column. The resolution follows:

#### RESOLUTION

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That this body does now resolve itself into an organization to be known as the "Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Convention":

That said organization have the following officers, to be chosen by popular vote of this Convention and to serve such terms of office as may be hereafter provided by such constitution and by-laws as may be by this organization hereafter adopted, and in any case until their successors be selected, to-wit: 1. A President. 2. A Vice-President. 3. A Secretary-Treasurer:

That the temporary Chairman be, and he is hereby authorized and requested to appoint the following committees in connection with effecting the sense of this resolution, to-wit:

1. A nominating committee of five members, one of whom he shall designate as chairman, who shall submit nominations for the officers hereinbefore provided, to this Monday evening session, April 1, 1946, which officers shall, when elected by this body, succeed the temporary officers now acting. Provided, however, that said temporary officers, to-wit: Brother Harry Smallwood, temporary chairman; and Brother Lyle V. Corey, temporary secretary, shall continue to serve during all of the sessions of the current Convention, the officers to be elected as herein provided to take office upon adjournment hereof.

2. A committee on organization, who shall submit to the next annual meeting of this Convention a proposed constitution and by-laws for this organization.

That pending the adoption of a constitution and by-laws, this Convention do meet again in Jackson, Mississippi, in the spring of 1947, at a time and place to be selected and arranged by the State Brotherhood Secretary, then and there to consider such further business of this body as may seem proper.

HENRY EDMONDS, Jackson,  
LYLE V. COREY, Meridian,  
J. W. MILLER, Rolling Fork,  
Committee.

#### RIDGECREST CONFERENCE

The Brotherhood conference for Ridgecrest will be held August 1-7. It will be understood that this meeting is in the nature of a conference and not a convention. The purpose will be to train and instruct leadership for Brotherhood work in the states, rather than to provide an inspirational program.

It is the hope of the state and southwide leaders that we may have all the Brotherhood district officers and associational officers in this conference. Others interested are welcome, particularly those who are prospective Brotherhood leaders in their territories.

We trust that the men of each district will take the lead in raising funds to defray at least the expenses

of the district president to the Ridgecrest conference.

#### Bus To Go

Brother S. C. Wallace, Ellisville, is working on the matter of arranging for a bus to go from Mississippi to the Ridgecrest meeting.

### BROTHERHOOD NIGHT SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Mr. George W. Schroeder, Assistant Secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, announces that Saturday night, May 18, will be Brotherhood night and that an interesting program has been arranged for the men attending the Southern Baptist Convention who will be present for this Saturday night meeting. This promises to be an outstanding feature of the Convention.

#### NEW BROTHERHOODS

Pine Grove (Jones)

Pine Grove in Jones County has had an active Brotherhood for some time; but we are just now able to get a report on the officers. The president is J. C. Martin, Route 2, Ellisville; Oliver Wells is membership vice-president; Bryce Jordan is program vice-president; Jim Howell is activities vice-president; and A. C. Jordan is secretary-treasurer. This group has eighteen men enrolled. They meet on Wednesday nights after the second and fourth Sundays (twice a month); and they use the Brotherhood Journal. We have already had fine reports of their work. Rev. Marvin K. Lee, Route 2, Ellisville, is pastor.

#### Macedonia (Lincoln)

Rev. A. W. Talbert, 1826 Bailey Avenue, Jackson, is out to "make the most of his men". He happily reports the organization of a new Brotherhood in the Macedonia Church in Lincoln County. This Brotherhood was begun on May 5th in connection with a visit of the state Brotherhood Secretary to the field.

The president is G. H. Jackson, Whitworth College, Brookhaven. Other officers are: membership vice-president, Willie B. Smith; program vice-president, Luther Jackson; activities vice-president, Johnson Anding; and secretary-treasurer, Charles Smith. All addresses except the president, Route 3, Brookhaven.

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T. R. Coulter, Jr., son of Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Coulter, Sr., of Hattiesburg, Rt. 1, was licensed to preach on March 31 by the Providence Church. On April 14 he preached his first sermon in that church. He is only 17 years of age and is a student at Clarke College.

During the nine years pastorate of R. A. Morris at Newton there have been 900 additions, 185 baptisms and \$38,000 to the building fund. Three pastors in Newton plan to visit every home in the town during May and June in a "Go to Church Campaign."

West Laurel: The church voted Wednesday night to increase the sum provided in the budget for expenses to the Southern Baptist Convention. This was done in view of the distance and other added expense this time. The Pastor appreciates it and wonders if other Churches shouldn't go and do thus.

## A FAVORITE SERMON



REV. J. E. GOFORTH

### "Jesus Is Coming"

BY REV. J. E. GOFORTH,  
Big Creek, Miss.

When will Jesus come? I do not know. Yet there is abundant evidence that He must come very soon in Luke 21:25-31. The Lord Jesus gave us some clear warnings. Some signs would indicate that His second coming was very, very near. Read this passage prayerfully. "And there shall be signs in the sun and in the moon and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth; for the powers of Heaven shall be shaken, and then shall they see the son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And he spake to them a parable: Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is nigh at hand. So, likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye, that the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand."

Surely now we have upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity of men's hearts failing for fear and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth. Surely the Saviour's coming is near, even at the door.

In Matthew 24, the Saviour foretold that wars and rumors of wars would come, nations rising against nations and kingdom against kingdom; that there would be famines and pestilence and earthquakes in divers places, and that all these are the beginning of sorrow.

Surely these things are coming upon the earth in greater measure than ever before. In I Timothy 4:1 we are warned that "The spirit speaks expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils." Surely these are multiplying in the earth as never before, and these were to come "in the latter days". In II Timothy 3:1-5 we are given the terrible signs of the last days, that "perilous times shall come, for men shall be lovers of themselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, un-

### BARNEY MORGAN PRESLEY

WHEREAS, it pleased the Supreme Grand Master, Ruler of Heaven and earth, to call our beloved brother, Barney M. Presley, from this life to the Land from whose "bourne" no traveler returns, and the Place of habitation of all true brother Masons.

WHEREAS, this servant of the Master, who has gone to rest, kept alive the Spirit of Christ; and whose devoted life to Christ and Freemasonry was an inspiration to those of us whom he leaves behind.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; first, that we express our thanks to GOD for his life among us, and the "spirit" he manifested in furthering the Cause of Christ; and

Second, that we pledge ourselves to carry on the "Spirit of Christ" and the good deeds faithfully and acceptably, that he so modestly and nobly championed in his lifetime; and

Third, that we sympathetically invoke the comforting, consoling, healing, and filling providences of God those upon whom a greater measure of sorrow has come. We earnestly implore that into their empty and broken hearts "Heaven's Balm of Consolation" may be poured; that their wounds which now seem incurable may be healed; and that His gracious presence may impart the "Blessing of Peace" in their hour and time of need.

Fourth, that we send a copy of these resolutions to his family; a copy to the Baptist Record for publication; and a copy to be placed in the Archives of Lena Lodge No. 493, of which he was a member.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES TYLER,

Pastor and Chairman,

C. B. NEAL,

GORDON BENNETT.

Committee on Resolutions.

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Blue Mountain, Miss., April 20—Miss Martha Brown, Louisville, Kentucky, has been selected president of the student government council of Blue Mountain College for the session, 1946-47.

thankful, unholy, without natural affections, false accusers, despisers of those that are good, traitors, big minded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." Surely these very times are upon the world now. Were ever men so covetous? Were ever children so disobedient to parents? Were ever families without natural affections, husbands and wives leaving one another? Were ever the nations as fierce, as traitorous as now? Were ever men and women so given to lust, so incontinent as now in the churches and the religions of the world. Surely we are in the very "last days" and these things simply indicate that the time is at hand.

Surely Jesus will come soon and when He comes, He will take all those who have trusted Him, all who have been born again, straight to Heaven. We will be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, all the taint of sin will be taken away... all the frailty of body, all the weakness of the flesh. Glorified beings with sinless bodies, we will be caught to meet Jesus and with a glad reunion we will go straight home with Him to the Father's house in Heaven.

Let us talk about Heaven, then think about Heaven. Jesus will be coming soon to take all those who have trusted Him and received Him as Saviour. Let us watch and pray that we may be ready when that great day comes is my prayer for all the world.



## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By Bracey Campbell  
Lesson for May 12

### LEARNING TO LIVE TOGETHER.

Texts: Matthew 18:15-22; Mark 3:13-14; 10:35-45; Luke 22:24-30.

II Church Discipline. Matthew 18:15-18.

1. The principal. Our conduct towards the sinning brother is not to be motivated by the fact that he has wronged us, but that he has wronged himself, and thus, has wronged or done hurt to the Body of Christ. 2. Method. Personal contact in the spirit of Christ. (a) Go alone. If the sinning brother will repent, publicity of the matter need not be needful. (b) Take along some others. "Ye who are spiritual," says Brother Paul (Gal. 6:1). It is well that those who go shall go prayerfully as those who go seeking to restore the dangerously sick. (c) At final length, tell it to the church. Bring it into the open conference only after private means have failed. If the brother remain stubborn, (d) Let him become again to thee as a pagan (an unbeliever), or as a tax-gatherer, one who has lined up in opposition to the people of God. Of course, this final state is that in which Christians are to strive to win the erring, not now as an erring brother but as another sinner who has never professed to be redeemed.

### II. Power in Prayer. Matthew 18:19-20.

"If two of you shall agree," and the word "agree" translates a word from which we get our musical word, "symphony," which means the perfect accord and harmony of the different instruments in an orchestra, or the voices in a chorus. Get the souls of praying people so in accord with each other and with the will and purpose of Christ, and that which they ask will be in accord with the will of God to grant. What they then ask, will be the will of heaven. When prayers assemble and ask according to the will of Christ, they may be sure He is there. He has said He is always where His disciples gather in His name. And where He is, really, there is the harmony of spirit which betokens perfect accord with God.

### III. Forgiveness. Matt. 18:21-22.

Are you bothered as to whether there can be real, true, full forgiveness where such is not desired? Can there be full, free forgiveness of a person who is wilfully, constantly desiring to continue a course of sinful, harmful action, with no thought of contrition or sorrow for wrongs purposed or performed? But we may hold ourselves in attitude of forgiveness all the while.

### IV. The Master of the Workmen. Mark 3:13-14.

He called and still calls, the men whom He will. The Christian worker is not primarily responsible for being in His work. I mean, of course, the Christian worker, and not a self-appointed hireling, whether he is working for money or for fame. But the worker who is engaged in Christ's work. It is Christ who sets such a one to work. It is Christ who chooses His workers. It is Christ who appoints His workers their tasks. It is Christ who determines the success of His workers, whether the evidences of the success be seen or unseen. We need

## THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS IN THE HEARTS OF SOME BAPTISTS

By REV. CHARLES H. SKUTT

What the Holy Spirit can accomplish in the hearts of those who love Christ and His Church has been amply demonstrated in Como Church since January, 1944.

When the present pastor, Rev. Chas. H. Skutt, was called to the Como Church in January, 1944, the church had been without a pastor for fifteen months. Prior to that services had been held semi-monthly. The church had not had a resident pastor since 1928. The physical equipment of the church consisted of a wooden building, built in 1904, which included an auditorium and three small classrooms.

From January to August, 1944, the church continued on a half-time basis. In early August, 1944, the Holy Spirit opened the eyes of the members to their possibilities, both physical and spiritual, and the church voted to adopt a full time program on a twelve month experimental basis. The full time program was begun on September 1, 1944. At the end of this twelve month period, on September 1, 1945... a period of "experimentation"... the following progress had been made:

#### \$11,000 In Improvements

An \$11,000 remodeling and enlargement project had been completed on the church building, more than 75 per cent of which had already been paid for in full. The Sunday School enrollment had been increased from 25 to 107. The attendance at Sunday School had increased from 20 to as high as 113. Nineteen new members had been received into the fellowship of the church, thirteen of them by Baptism. The average attendance at preaching services had increased from approximately thirty to from eighty to one hundred and twenty-five. The total contributions to all causes had arisen from \$1,350 in 1944 to \$10,470 in 1945. ALL THIS OCCURRED IN

to be careful in this only thing: That we shall be sure that it is Christ who has called and qualified and commissioned us. We have not failed when we have obeyed the Master, though no evidence of success appears.

#### V. The Eminent in the Kingdom. Mark 10:35-45; Luke 22:24-30.

Read this passage to get the full setting. Here was a mother wanting something fine for her sons. That is just like a fine mother, or father. I have a preacher boy, and there passes no day that I do not pray for the Lord to make that boy big and fit him to a big place, and the boy's mother does the same thing. But the method by which this bigness and exaltation may be achieved may make a lot of difference. "Are you able? Can you?" Glibly came the answer, showing that the two brothers did not know all that the questions of the Master implied. They did drink of His cup, they did undergo the agony of His bath of blood; but they did not know they were going to, and I have wondered what their answer would have been had they understood all that the drinking of His cup and the being baptized with His baptism meant. It is for those for whom it has been prepared, this high honor of being exalted in the kingdom, and those for whom it has been prepared are those who are fit for it.

## RESOLUTIONS FROM FIRST CHURCH, PICAYUNE

WHEREAS: Brother J. E. Baker's work elsewhere, has necessitated his leaving our City indefinitely, and,

WHEREAS: Brother Baker has served this Church in a most efficient manner as Treasurer for a great many years, during his residence in this City, and,

WHEREAS: He has been faithful at all times to the trust and responsibility reposed in him and has demonstrated unusual efficiency and ability in the handling and accounting of the church funds entrusted to his keeping during his tenure of office extending over a decade or more of years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That we the Active Board of Deacons of this Church express to Brother Baker in behalf of the Church and its entire constituency our sincere appreciation for the faithful service he has rendered in his capacity as Treasurer, and our sincere regrets of the necessity of the leaving of him and his good wife from our midst and fellowship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the Minutes of the Board of Deacons, a copy tendered to Brother Baker, and a copy to the Clerk of the Church for record.

WITNESS our signatures for and in behalf of the Board of Deacons this 16th day of April in the Year of our Lord 1946.

(Signed)

W. M. MILLER, Chairman,

ELMER SEAL, Secretary.

Adopted and approved:

O. P. ESTES, Pastor.

EDW. C. SONES, Church Clerk.

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The revival at Shelton Church, Jones County of which Rev. T. R. Coulter is pastor, will begin May 5 with Rev. G. W. Smith of Pelahatchie as the visiting evangelist. Service will be held morning and evening of the following week.—T. L. Smith, reporter.

## THE YEAR WHEN COMO BAPTISTS HAD FAITH ENOUGH IN THE LORD TO LET HIM SHOW WHAT HE COULD DO THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT!

Of course, from September 1, 1945, the state of "experimentation" no longer existed. Como Baptist Church is now definitely and permanently on a full time basis. The average attendance in all departments has remained equal to or above the figures already cited. In addition, 13 new members have been added to the church since September 1, 1945, 5 of these by profession of faith. On March 15th, the balance of the amount owed on the \$11,000 remodeling project was paid, just 13 months after the project was begun. On April 5, 1946, the church purchased a beautiful home and large tract of land adjoining the church at a price of \$6,000. The pastor and his family will shortly move into this home at which time it will become the parsonage.

### Sunday School Grows From 25 to 113

What wonders the Holy Spirit can accomplish for God's people and Christ's Church if we will only surrender to Him! In January 1944 we had an ancient wooden building, today we have a modern brick building, with modern oil-burner heating plant. In January 1944 we had 25 in Sunday School. Now we have up to 113. In January 1944 we had three Sunday School rooms. Now we have seven, and our people are already calling for more. Since January 1944, gifts to the Lord's work have increased 800 per cent.

EDITORS NOTE: At the request of Pastor Skutt we mention the fact that Como is an EVERY FAMILY CHURCH.

## 25 Years Ago

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman

Pastor F. M. Purser of Hazlehurst attended the recent meeting of the board of directors of the Institute in New Orleans.

The subjects of Dr. M. E. Dodd's addresses at the school of evangelism at Clinton May 29-June 3rd, are "The Call to Evangelism" and "Won By One."

Pastor R. J. Bateman of Meridian, supplied for Pastor W. F. Powell at First Church, Asheville, N. C., the fourth Sunday in April, the pastor being away in a meeting.

Pastor A. E. Lucas felt like he had reached the Promised Land when he got to Edinburg and the members came along with others to greet him and pile high his pantry with the fruits of the land.

Professor P. W. Berry, formerly of the department of mathematics in Mississippi College, and for several years superintendent of the A. H. S. of Madison county, has accepted the superintendency of the Tate County High School at Senatobia.

Brother A. L. O'Bryant wires from Ellisville that they had a great day Sunday. Church away over their quota; five young people for baptism, two young women offered for mission work; young man decided to preach. They send Pastor C. E. Bass to the convention.

Secretary Gunter put in his usual time or day Sunday by preaching three times at three different places or churches in Meridian and attending as many conferences in the interest of the work. The Editor got in two sermons in behalf of the work at First Church and South Side.

Dr. Zeno Wall is assisting Pastor J. B. Lawrence in a meeting in his church at Shawnee, Okla.

Dr. M. K. Thorton, formerly superintendent of the Baptist Hospital in Jackson, has accepted the call of the church at Russellville, Alabama.

Dr. R. S. Curry was elected by the board of trustees as superintendent of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital and has begun his services in that institution. He has once before been temporary superintendent and did a fine work. He was for several years superintendent of the State Institute for the Blind in Jackson and was a practicing physician of successful experience.

The Poplarville Baptist Church suffered a serious loss in the recent home going of Deacon C. C. Culpepper, brother to Rev. J. P. Culpepper, for many years pastor of the church. Mr. C. C. Culpepper was faithful and active in church work. For years he was chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee. He sang in the church choir until less than two weeks before his death.

Full preparations are being made for the Vacation Bible School to be held in the Poplarville Baptist Church May 31st to June 14th. Pastor Judson Chastain will teach the faculty and helpers in a study course on the Vacation Bible School Guide the week of May 6th to May 10th.



## SPARKS & SPLINTERS

Mississippi was well represented at Baptist Bible Institute Commencement exercises held in Managan Chapel on April 30. Mississippians awarded degrees were: Master of Theology, David Curtis Askew, John Roy Eubanks, Barney Evan Padgett; Bachelor of Divinity, W. Harold Anderson, Roy Lamar Self, M. Glenn Smith; Master of Religious Education, Mrs. Curtis Askew (Mary Lee Trevor), Edythe Inez Montroy; Bachelor of Religious Education, Mrs. L. E. Smith; Diploma in Christian Training, Mrs. B. E. Padgett (Ludie Gill), W. Martin Smith; Certificate in Christian Training, Norma Lee Smith.

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Harold Newcomb, member of the Hudson Taylor Intermediate Royal Ambassadors of the Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, submitted the winning name for the new permanent camp of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Mississippi Baptist Convention located near Clinton. The winning name is GARAYWA, pronounced, "gay ray way." The letters are the initials of three auxiliaries of the Union—Girl's Auxiliary, Royal Ambassadors, and Young Women's Auxiliary. For submitting the winning name in a state-wide contest, young Newcomb has been awarded a free trip to the camp this summer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Newcomb.

We invite you to attend the Radio Breakfast at the Central Baptist Church at Miami Convention on Friday morning, May 17 at 8 o'clock. You'll enjoy that forward looking discussion of religious broadcasting. Please notify us immediately of your acceptance.—S. F. Love, Director, The Radio Committee, S. B. C., 427 1-2 Moreland Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Ga.

Marjorie Donnell, Blue Mountain, will be presented in her senior speech recital on the evening of May 11 in the Modena Lowrey Berry auditorium of Blue Mountain College, by Miss Elizabeth Purser, head of the department of speech arts.

The Darlove W. M. U. is progressing. Attendance is increasing. This group gave the associational program before the church April 28. The offering was \$21.25. A new circle was started April 29. Mrs. Nell Woods is president. The G. A. and R. A. groups are growing under the leadership of Mrs. E. L. Smiley and Mrs. R. A. Langley.—Mrs. Frank McShaw, reporter.

Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace has requested Dr. M. E. Dodd of Shreveport, La., to serve on the National Committee for the conservation and collection of food in the interest of the famine stricken peoples of the world. Dr. Dodd has accepted the appointment and wishes to appeal to all Southern Baptists to give in this blessed service of saving human life. Cooperation with local committees and personal reduction of food consumption will help very much. The stark facts stare us in the face that millions of people, especially women and children, will starve unless food gets to them at an early date. As Christians we cannot loiter in our luxuries and revel in our rations while others die. We must help.

Pastor R. A. Morris of Newton preached the commencement sermon for the Newton High School on April 8.

Mrs. William W. Barnes, wife of the professor of church history at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, died at her home there on March 27 after a long illness, and funeral services were conducted on Saturday, March 30, in the Broadway Baptist Church of Fort Worth, with Dr. Forrest C. Feezor, pastor, officiating, assisted by Drs. E. D. Head and L. R. Elliott, president and librarian, respectively, of the Seminary. Mrs. Barnes herself was a native of Tennessee, but her father's family, the Dalrymples, went from Moore County, N. C., to Mississippi in the 1840's. Her mother was Cherry Dowd, sister of Elder William Dowd and Patrick Dowd. Besides her husband, Mrs. Barnes is survived by two sons, Maj. William W. Barnes, Jr., and Arch Dalrymple Barnes; four brothers and two grandchildren. The Baptist Record joins the many friends of Dr. Barnes in expressing sympathy in his great loss.

Brazilian Baptist W. M. U. Has Greatest Year In 1945. The W. M. U. report for 1945 given by Miss Minnie Landrum before the national convention in Sao Paulo last January shows the unprecedented progress of that organization. Some of the increases were: Total members, 18%; tithers, 30%; personal workers, 55%; personal evangelism, 42%; total contributions, 58%. Miss Landrum has been general secretary for the Baptist W. M. U. of Brazil since 1923.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A Southern Baptist Press Association news service has been launched for cooperative exchange of news among the association's 21 state publications covering the Southern Baptist Convention territory. Porter Routh, past president of the association and now secretary of Survey, Statistics, and Information of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, is editor of the service. Circulation of the member papers is well over a half-million, it was announced.

Nathaniel B. Saucier, former captain in the chaplain's corps, U. S. Army, has been appointed full-time Protestant chaplain at the Veterans' Administration Home, Biloxi, Miss. He served with the 77th Division in the South Pacific, was wounded in battle on Okinawa and also assisted in rescue of the body of Ernie Pyle.

News has come that Rev. Ira D. Eovenson, formerly pastor at Cleveland, and now serving at First Baptist Church, Bryan, Texas, will assume the chaplaincy of the Veterans' Hospital at Gulfport, and will report for duty on May 1. Having been a successful chaplain the new position will not be a new experience. Under his leadership the church at Bryan has, during the last 21 months, more than doubled its Sunday and Training Union attendance, increased the church budget by 34 percent and erected a mission church building costing \$10,000. Friends in Mississippi will welcome Chaplain Eavenson back home.

Dr. Bela Vasada, Protestant church leader in Hungary, reported that 45% of the new-born children in Hungary die within the first few weeks because of the shortage of milk and medicine.

## PICAYUNE YOUTH WEEK IS SUCCESS



Pictured above are the officers of the First Baptist Church of Picayune, and the young people who were elected to assume their offices for Youth Week.

The picture was made Sunday, April 14th at the church in preparation for Youth Week activities April 21 to April 28. During this time more than 100 young people conducted services at the church and performed such duties as are assumed by the regular officers. Rev. Eugene Keebler, young preacher from the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans was appointed to preach at the opening service Sunday night, April 21. Pastor of the church is Dr. O. P. Estes, and Otis Seal is Educational Director.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Rev. Edgar L. Douglas, Clinton; Mrs. O. E. Martin, Brandon; Rev. Grady H. Smith and W. D. Smith, Forest; Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Davis and Glenn Davis, Hattiesburg; Mrs. A. L. Rainey, Mrs. E. P. Zuick, Bobbie-Lott, Rev. J. B. Hemphill, Brookhaven; Mr. and Mrs. Alvie E. Varner, and Wyndell Varner, Laurel; Miss Mary Osborn, Jackson; Rev. James N. Brister, Oil City; Rev. Thurman Booth, Terry; Dr. S. B. Harrington, Tchula; Wauniece Woods, Claudia Jones, Charlotte Wright, Jessie Isbon, Patsy Jones, Hilda Craddock, W. G. Mize, Mrs. W. G. Mize, Nancy Ray Mize, Baptist Orphanage, Jackson; Miss Pauline Hargis, Miss Mary Virginia Lee, Philip Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. P. Phillips, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Joe E. Jones, Mrs. J. H. Webb, Montgomery, Alabama; Dr. C. C. Warren, Charlotte, N. C.; J. P. Edmunds, W. A. Harrell, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. A. J. Brasher, Sarepta; Rev. A. C. Parker, Petal; James E. Coney, Jackson; Mrs. James G. Blaine, Danville, Ky.; Rev. James B. Parker, Ripley; Rev. W. A. Greene, Waynesboro; Rev. C. J. Hughes, Sumnerland; Rev. L. G. Sansing, Booneville; Miss N. Hampton, Mrs. B. H. Millsaps, Miss Gladys Green, Crystal Springs; Rev. and Mrs. A. Q. Anderson, Louisville; Mrs. H. B. Lowe, Mrs. W. D. Fancher, Rev. W. L. Day, Louisville; Chaplain Norris H. Hickman, Jackson; Rev. J. N. Holloway, Bassfield; Mrs. Preston Pierce, Brandon; Rev. and Mrs. Ira D. Eavenson, Gulfport; Rev. W. P. Sandifer, Wesson.

The Jones County Brotherhood Association met on April 26 with the Second Avenue Church, Laurel. The meeting was in charge of Bunk Jordan, president and Rev. James W. Parrish of First Church, brought the

Raleigh, N. C., (SBPA)—Three Baptist boards in North Carolina have voted unanimously to accept the \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 offer of the Reynolds Foundation to Wake Forest College if an additional \$4,000,000 can be raised for capital outlay. The offer has been accepted by the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest, the General Board of the Baptist Convention, and the Educational Council of the Convention. It must be approved by the general convention meeting in November. The school will be moved to Winston Salem if the offer is finally approved. It is estimated that it will take five years to build the new physical plant and make the move effective.

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## Magee's Creek Resolutions

Magee's Creek Baptist Church was without a pastor for approximately six months. The church has been indeed fortunate to have had two outstanding ministers who have brought spiritual blessings to the people of the church during this time.

We are grateful to Rev. W. M. Bowman of Tylertown and Rev. A. L. Goodrich of Clinton, Editor of The Baptist Record, who have so generously given to us their time and talent in coming to us in our hours of need. The messages they brought to us have been most inspiring and uplifting.

We take this means of extending to them our heartfelt appreciation for their unselfish devotion to the will of God and their willingness to respond to spiritual and physical needs of our membership.

We pray God's richest blessings on Rev. Bowman and Rev. Goodrich and may they continue to work for the glory of God.

Rev. Chandler, who formerly served as pastor of Magee's Creek Baptist Church has been recalled. It is felt that the church work will go forward under his leadership. During the time which he previously served as pastor, the Church realized its greatest growth.

message of the evening. Other officers are S. H. McDonnell, vice-president and Lonnie Meador, secretary-treasurer.

## Circulation This Week

53,004



## GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

### SUMMERLAND

Three deacons, James Barnett, Forest Holyfield and Bill Grissom, were ordained by Summerland Church on Sunday, May 5. Editor Goodrich preached the ordination sermon and Pastor C. J. Hughes conducted the examination. Deacon W. L. McDonnial led the ordination prayer.

Summerland Church is making commendable progress under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. C. J. Hughes. All the organizations are functioning well.

Baptist Record readers in Jones County are now listed as follows: BEACON 86, Bethel 15, BEULAH 79, CENTERVILLE 36, COUNTY LINE 39, ELLISVILLE 122, Estabutchie 3, HARMONY 47, FAIRFIELD 63, LAUREL FIRST 535, Second Avenue, Laurel 80, LOWREY CREEK 23, MOSELLE 62, MT. ORAL 46, OVETT 43, PECAN GROVE 29, PINE PROVE 52, SAND HILL 23, SHARON 36, CALVARY 19, FRIENDSHIP 43, SHELTON 37, SUMMERLAND 40, TUCKER CROSSINGS 21, WEST LAUREL 168, Pleasant Home 12, SOUTH LAUREL 38, BETHLEHEM 57, SANDERSVILLE 45, New Hope 19, INDIAN SPRINGS 21, Fellowship 16, HEBRON 12, Oakland Grove 14.

### GOODWATER, SMITH County ;

Rev. Joe Causey, senior student at Mississippi College, is pastor at Goodwater Church in Smith County. He planned a week-end meeting and invited the Baptist Record editor to preach.

Goodwater is the home church of Rev. Dan Moulder.

There were many expressions of appreciation for the pastor. And he had visible evidence. He wore a nice wrist watch, a recent gift of the church.

A vocal trio composed of Miss Rachel Waggener, Miss Myriam Hollis and Mrs. Joe Causey added inspiration to the meeting by their singing.

Smith County now has Baptist Record readers listed as follows: Burns 1, GOODWATER 35, LEAF RIVER 77, LORENA 33, MIZE 23, Oak Grove 9, Polkville 30, RALEIGH 73, Rocky Hill 12, SYLVARENA 41, TAYLORSVILLE 69, WHITE OAK 54, Wilkerson Memorial 41, Sardis 2, Beaver Dam 1, Shady Grove 40, CLEAR CREEK 14, Rose Hill 1, FELLOWSHIP 30, Pleasant Hill 21, Mt. Pleasant 5, TED 32, CLEAR SPRINGS 12, Mt. Carmel 22, Concord 32, New Home 12.

### PACE

At the invitation of pastor H. Grady Wilkes, we did the preaching in the annual revival at Pace, April 14-19. There were five additions.

An unusual feature of the meeting was the fact that every business house in town (filling stations included) agreed to close their places of business during the time of the morning services.

Prof. Box, school superintendent, arranged for the school children to attend the day services. These with the adults filled the auditorium.

So far as we have observed, there are more roses growing on the streets of Pace than any town of its size in

## Three Baptist Orphanage Girls To Graduate At Central High, Jackson

Baptist Orphanage girls members of the 1946 Central High School graduating class of Jackson.

The following list comprises the girls from the Baptist Orphanage who will graduate from Central High School on May 31, 1946.

**Louise Lawson:** Louise is 18 and has made her home in the Orphanage for seven years, coming from McComb, Mississippi. Louise has worked in the office of the County Superintendent of Education each afternoon during her senior year. Louise, having been given employment to pay her expenses, will enter Hinds County Junior College at Raymond, Mississippi in June where she will continue her education.

**Opal Perkins:** Opal is 17 and has made her home in the Orphanage for nine years, coming from Meridian, Mississippi. Opal has had a course in Secretarial Training in connection with her High School Course of Study and will be employed in Jackson where she will continue to make her home.

**Maxine Vaughn:** Maxine is 19 and has made her home in the Orphanage for fourteen years, coming from Calhoun County near Calhoun City, Mississippi. Maxine will secure a business position in Jackson where she will continue to make her home.

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Five well-equipped Sunday Schools and a large auditorium have been added to the Bethel Church, Sunflower County. Pastor L. F. Fowler is delighted with the completion of this building program and is looking forward to progress in other lines.—Mrs. E. T. Hawkins, reporter.

the state.

Pace is blessed with a fine group of loyal Baptists. Already they are talking about a new church building.

Mrs. Wilkes aided greatly in promoting the personal work for the meeting.

Record readers in Bolivar County are now listed as follows: BENOIT 40, BOYLE 64, CLEVELAND FIRST 244, DUNCAN 35, GUNNISON 13, Interstate 30, MERIGOLD 38, MORRISON CHAPEL 32, PACE 28, PROVIDENCE 28, ROSEDALE 45, Shady Oak 9, Shaw 5, SHELBY 53, SKENE 43, Stringtown 1, Waxhaw 11, BOLIVAR MISSION 24, CENTERFIELD 10, MELTONIA 10.

### RIPLEY

Ripley continues to make progress under the leadership of Pastor J. B. Parker.

Plans are now underway for a two-story 24 room educational building. There have been additions every Sunday except two since January first. The W. M. U. Home Mission offering exceeded \$200 which is a record.

Ripley exceeded its Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign quota by \$500 and the pastor states that Tiptah County will also go beyond its quota.

Tiptah County now has Record readers listed as follows: ACADEMY 41, CHALYBEATE 42, BLUE MOUNTAIN 160, Dumas 2, FALKNER 49, Fellowship 1, Harmony 22, MT. HEBRON 18, MT. OLIVE 35, PINE GROVE 35, Pleasant Hill 4, PROVIDENCE 33, RIPLEY 87, Tiptersville 3, WALNUT 44, MACEDONIA 22, PALMER 18, Graham's Chapel 4, Shady Grove 13, Oakland 1.

The Sunbeam Band of Brooklyn recently enjoyed an "Anniversary Tea" on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of Sunbeam Bands. The Sunbeams and their mothers were invited to the home of Mrs. Charlie Yates. A large birthday cake was cut and lemonade served to the 45 in attendance. Several pieces of clothing were brought to be sent overseas. Mrs. W. H. Daniels is leader of the Sunbeams.

Three new deacons were ordained at the Clinton Baptist Church on Wednesday night, April 24. They were J. V. Carr, W. E. Hannah and W. T. Douglas. The recommendation by the Examining Council was read by James Allen, the scripture was read by M. C. McDaniel. The qualifications for a deacon were discussed by L. U. Amason of the Calvary Baptist Church. J. T. Wallace, chairman of the Board of Deacons, welcomed the new men into the board. The charge was given by Dr. P. I. Lipsey and the ordaining prayer was led by the pastor, Dr. John Newport. Two other Deacons coming from other churches have also been added to the board by election here recently. They are T. N. Touchstone, coming from Amory and H. G. Street, coming from Vicksburg.

Evansville Church, Tate County, observed Youth Week in April by having special programs. Young people were used for talks, for ushers, and for officers of the church as follows: Sunday School Superintendent, James Baker, Sunday School Secretary, Mary Louise Dye and Training Union Director, Clifford Peyton. Those giving talks were, "What the Training Union Means to Me" by Miss Ann Turley, "What the Church Service Means to Me" by Miss Julia Flint, "What I Hope to Do for the Lord," by James Baker and "What the Sunday School Means to Me," Miss Jewel Flint, and "What the Church Service Means to Me" by Miss Marie Wade. T. B. Kinley is pastor.

Blue Mountain, Miss., April 22—Joyce Tyler, Picayune, was elected president of the 1946-47 senior class of Blue Mountain College in an election held by members of the class this week. She is retiring vice-president. Other officers named were Jean McCarty, Birmingham, Alabama, vice-president; Jane Ray Bean, Louisville, Kentucky, secretary; Martha Hollis, Derma, treasurer; Kathleen Bush, Pinola, representative on the student government council.

Dr. Ira D. Eavenson, former pastor at Cleveland, who has been serving for the past two years the First Church of Bryan, Texas, while Dr. W. H. Anderson, was on leave in the South Pacific as Army Chaplain, has been appointed as chief chaplain of The Veterans' Hospital in Gulfport. Under his leadership in Bryan a mission church and parsonage were built by the First Church at a cost of \$14,000. The annex was redecorated and the grounds landscaped. The church budget increased from \$30,000 to \$41,000. An Educational Director was employed, attendance at Sunday School and Training Union doubled and many added to the church. Upon leaving the church Dr. Eavenson was presented with a beautiful wrist watch and Mrs. Eavenson with a silver coffee service.

The Dividing Ridge Church, Yalobusha Association, went beyond its quota of \$40 in subscribing to the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign.—A. H. Childress, pastor.

In a cordial letter from Pastor W. C. Wood of College Avenue Baptist church in Annapolis, Md., we learn that he still remembers Mississippi Baptists and sends greetings. He speaks of the interesting work there where midshipmen from many states worship in their congregation. Zeb Dick Alford of McComb is one of his best helpers, according to Dr. Wood. He asks that he be notified of Baptist going to Annapolis.

Carthage: The Intermediate Union has been busy helping to construct a new playground for the church. Under the direction of their counselor, Mrs. William Potter and Pastor Potter, the boys prepared the ground, broadcast the lime, and planted the grass seed. The girls prepared the noon meal for the boys. The next project is for the boys to build some playground equipment.

Bowmar Avenue Baptist Church, of Vicksburg, has just closed one of the greatest revivals in its history. There were twenty additions to the church. Dr. William Earl Greene, president of Clarke Memorial College did the preaching and Rev. S. W. Valentine from the same college, led the singing. These brethren make a great team for a revival. Great congregations attended each service. Rev. Homer W. Roberson is the pastor.

In his report to the Southern Baptist Convention Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer of the Home Mission Board states that 851 Home Board workers served in 1945. As a result of their work, 471 new missions were opened and 123 new churches organized. There were 26 kindergartens maintained and 1,936 Vacation Bible schools conducted. Three hundred fifty-eight churches and chapels were built and improved and 29 pastor's homes provided or improved.

Lawson H. Cooke, Secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, a consecrated layman, led in an unusual revival recently at First Church, McKinney, Texas. Pastor R. S. Clifton felt that his men and the church needed just such a meeting. B. O. Baker, Jr., led the singing. There were 19 additions. Deep appreciation was expressed by pastor and people for Mr. Cooke's unique and inspiring messages.

The Poplarville Baptist W. M. S., not satisfied with completely furnishing the guest bedroom of the new parsonage, recently provided a magnificent suite of furniture for the dining room. This week they had their first social meeting of the year. They improved on that occasion by holding the social in the parsonage, climaxing the day with a surprise shower of beautiful gifts for Pastor Judson Chastain, Mrs. Chastain, and their father, Dr. J. G. Chastain.

Correction: In last week's Baptist Record in a report of the attendance at Mantee it was stated that L. L. George was pastor. This was an error. Brother George is a banker and probably does more work than many pastors.

The 20 Southern Baptist hospitals are planning building programs amounting to \$14,500,000 for 1946. More than 45,000 patients were declined in 1945 because of lack of room. More than a million dollars in charity work was given and 19,683 babies were born in the hospitals in 1945. Southern Baptist hospitals provide 4,435 beds for whites, 195 beds for negroes.



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary  
W. R. ROBERTS, Associate

### First In 1946

To Mr. Tom Cayson goes the honor of sending in the very first Vacation Bible School report for 1946. Congratulations, Brother Cayson!

Mr. Cayson is aiding Rev. Clarence Palmer, associational missionary of Itawamba county, this summer in the Vacation School work. He is a young man recently out of the military service, and will later attend Mississippi College as a ministerial student.

The honor for the second report goes to Mrs. Joe Causey, Clinton, for the school at Goodwater church in Smith county. So, Itawamba and Smith counties are off to a good start this year in these Vacation schools.

### New Sunday Schools

The new things usually inspire us—and especially if they are the good things. That is why we are always glad to hear of new Sunday Schools being organized. Many more should be, until there is one in every church in the entire state and south. Reports of these new schools keep coming to us all along from time to time. We are always glad to get them.

A new school was recently organized by Rev. W. A. Green in the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Franklin county. It is one of the old churches, and many years ago did have a school, but not so for quite a while. Brother Green tells us that it started off in a great way and the church will soon make provision for some additional rooms so the work can be better done.

They have recently installed a Butane gas system in the church and the people are happy in the interest and growth so evident on all lines.

Also, Rev. R. B. Patterson, Calhoun associational missionary, has organized a new school in the Union Grove church of that county. It has begun in a very splendid way and has bright prospects for great growth. Brother Patterson has several other churches in that county that he hopes to also lead out in organizing Sunday schools.

Remember, the first quarter's literature can be secured FREE for every new Sunday School organized.

### Branch Sunday Schools

In speaking of new schools, one of the most fruitful sources of progress for our churches is through the organization of branch Sunday schools. Taking the state as a whole, this is an almost unlimited opportunity. There are literally thousands of people not enrolled in any school, and a great host of these are resident Baptist church members. The great majority of these people will never be enrolled in our existing churches. If we ever reach them it will be through new schools.

In this work, as in everything else, those now interested in Sunday school work must take the lead in organizing these branch schools. Many churches have made one of their greatest contributions to the future of the work by taking an active part in organizing branch Sunday schools.

There are several reasons why these schools should be organized. First, and foremost, is the fact that these people are getting no Bible study, and very little of any kind of religious and spiritual training. This is the great tragedy that now confronts our country. Unless something is done to remedy this situation, we may as well look for a continuation of the great wave of crime and corruption that is rapidly spreading over the world. The Bible has the only remedy for sin, which is the cause of all the evil among us.

Another reason for organizing these branch schools is the fact that a great many of them will develop into regular churches, and with full time work in many of them. This will not only establish a permanent base of Christian teaching and gospel preaching in these places, but will also furnish a base from which other such branch schools may be established later by this home base, which itself began as a branch school. One of the very encouraging chapters of Southern Baptist work is the fact that many of our large churches today began as mission Sunday schools, some of them now having around 3,000 members.

Another reason for establishing these branch schools is the fact that they will develop leadership among the very people who are so greatly in need of it now. The parent churches may have to provide most of the leadership for a time, until local leaders can be trained, but in the course of time they will be able to carry on their work. This will be a great joy to them and will aid much in promoting the work because of the personal contribution they themselves make to the work of the kingdom.

Therefore, we hope that many of our churches will this year take seriously the matter of organizing these branch Sunday schools in every place where they are needed. The first quarter's literature can be secured free for each new school organized. Just let us know and we shall be glad to secure the literature for you.

### April Standards

The following units became standard during April:

SCHOOLS: Philadelphia, Dr. W. L. Johnson, pastor, W. W. Jones, super-

## School Of Missions Held In Pearl River County

BY S. J. RHODES,  
Associational Missionary

Pearl River County Association has just had a great spiritual feast which we will enjoy for many days to come. The occasion was our simultaneous School of Missions. There are twenty-eight churches in the association and each of them participated in the program. Most of the churches had a service each night, while others had a service for one, two, or three nights. Yet others had all day meetings with dinner served at the church.

The program began on Sunday afternoon, April 7th, with a mass meeting in which nineteen of our churches were represented. From this meeting, missionary speakers went out to the churches for Sunday night service. Some of them had already been in the churches for the Sunday morning service. We closed on Friday night, April 12.

There came to us eight returned missionaries from the Foreign Mission Board, and six representing our state work. They brought messages that greatly inspired the people and gave information about our great program of missions. Many are the testimonies from the members of the churches that they know more about our Baptist program of making Christ known to men around the

intendant; Meridian, Eighth Avenue, Rev. E. F. Graesser, pastor, Joe Brown, superintendent; Hopewell, Rev. J. P. Bush, pastor, Roy P. Jarrell, superintendent.

DEPARTMENTS: Nursery, Philadelphia, Mrs. Earl Yates, superintendent; Junior, Liberty, Mrs. Leroy Tumey; Intermediate, Philadelphia, Mrs. Lamar Trapp; Intermediate, Carthage, Mrs. Ralph Harris.

CLASSES: His Followers, Junior, Jackson Griffith Memorial, Mrs. J. M. Joffrion, teacher; Church Goers, Junior, Jackson Griffith Memorial, Miss Charlotte Arender; Doers of the Word, Junior, Jackson Griffith Memorial, Miss Mattie Lou Swain; Agoga Cadets, Intermediate, Carthage, Mrs. Tom Barnett; Winners, Intermediate, Wesson, Mrs. Jimmie Perritt; Buddies, Intermediate, Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue, J. D. Headrick; Intermediate, Pine Grove, Mrs. Jesse W. McGehee; Owls, Intermediate, Philadelphia, T. K. Walton; Aviators, Intermediate, Philadelphia, J. V. Moorehead; Service, Intermediate, Philadelphia, Mrs. Auline H. Sims; Gleaners, Adult, Lambert, Mrs. Will Little.

To one and all of these leaders we express our sincere thanks for the good work they are doing in leading their people to such a high plane of service.

## Eight Orphanage Children To Graduate From Eighth Grade

Exercises To Be Held Evening Of May 16

Eight members of the Baptist Orphanage family are scheduled to graduate from the Orphanage Grammar school at commencement exercises to be held Thursday, May 16 at 7:30 p. m. Superintendent W. G. Mize states that the public is cordially invited to attend the program which will be held in the J. E. Byrd Memorial Chapel.

Following is a list of those graduating and who will enter Bailey-Junior High School of Jackson in the fall where they will continue their education:

**Charles Bankston:** Charles has made his home in the Orphanage for seven years, coming from McCall Creek.

**Hubert Germany:** Hubert has made his home in the Orphanage for three years, coming from Bentonla.

**Florence Hoza:** Florence has made her home in the Orphanage for six years, coming from Eupora.

**Christine Jordan:** Christine has made her home in the Orphanage for seven years, coming from Port Gibson.

**Nina Jean Oglesby:** Nina Jean has made her home in the Orphanage for seven years, coming from Meadville.

**Ray Starling:** Ray has made her home in the Orphanage for two years and is from Jackson.

**Martha Ann Tygrest:** Martha Ann has made her home in the Orphanage for six years coming from Grenada.

**Bobbie Earl Westrope:** Bobbie Earl has made her home in the Orphanage for two years and is from Port Gibson.

—BR—

**Pastor Jack Cranford, Raleigh,** writes that Raleigh Baptist Church has revised its 1946 budget to include \$200 for the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign.

world, and some have told this writer that they expect to do more for missions than they have in the past.

While we have not heard about the results in all the churches, we know of one church that had a profession of faith when one of our state pastors preached, and another church which had two professions when one of the foreign missionaries brought a message, and on Sunday one had five professions of faith, the first that church had had in a long time. A pastor told me that there was evidence of his people being greatly revived. We will begin early to make plans for a School of Missions next year.

We do not have sufficient space to give the names of our speakers, but we do mention that Dr. John D. Freeman of the Home Mission Board, was the main leader of the forces. HE IS GREAT.

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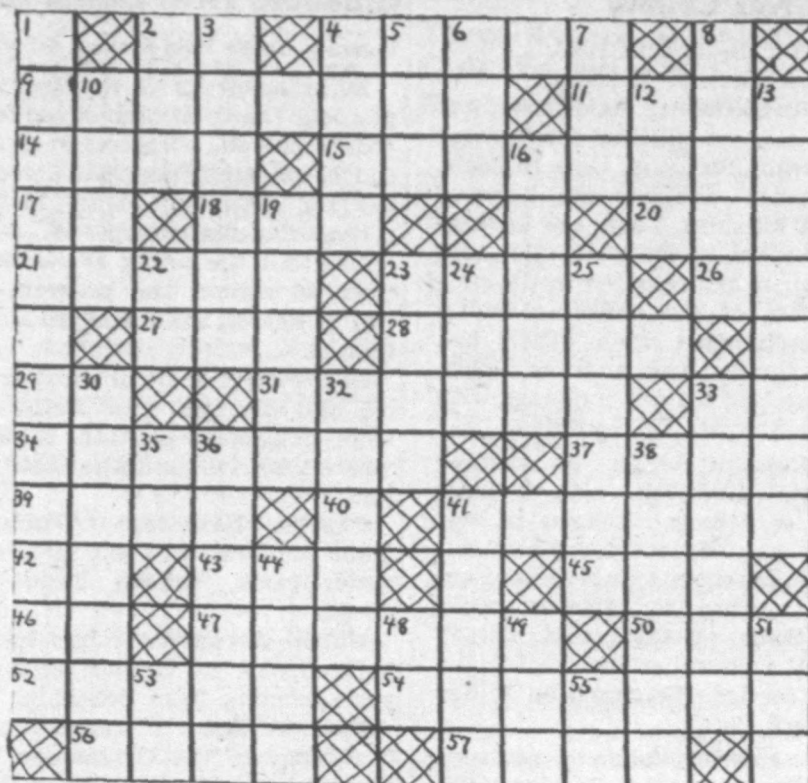
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"Yet they sent unto me four times after this sort; and I answered them after the same manner."—Neh. 6:4.

## ACROSS

- 1 "Shoud such a man as . . . flee?"
- 2 "I . . . the Lord your God"
- 4 "Arise therefore, and be . . ."
- 8 "the people had . . . mind to work"
- 9 "The Busy Builder"
- 11 Containers
- 14 A couple
- 15 Compound of arsenic
- 17 Indian Empire
- 18 Gaelic form of John
- 20 Month
- 21 "the work is . . . and large"
- 23 "why should the . . . cease"
- 26 "that I should be afraid and do . . . and sin"
- 27 "Go to the . . . , thou sluggard"
- 28 Substance derived from aloes
- 29 Tantalum
- 31 Athwart
- 33 " . . . , every one that thirsteth"
- 34 "clothed with strange . . ."
- 37 Image; coin (anag.)
- 39 "they perceived . . . this work was wrought of our God"
- 40 "Then said . . . unto them"
- 41 "Ye . . . serve God and mammon"
- 42 Exclamation of joy
- 43 "as the lad . . . , he shot an arrow"

- 45 Disease of sheep
  - 46 Part of the Bible
  - 47 Medicine
  - 50 Dove note
  - 52 Nest
  - 54 Wearing away
  - 56 "saying . . . , let us meet together"
  - 57 "which were broken . . ."
- Our Text from Nehemiah is 1, 2, 4, 8, 21, 23, 26, 39, 40, 41, 56, and 57 combined.

## DOWN

- 1 Conversing by the fingers; it and I go in it (anag.)
- 2 "a reward of their shame that say unto me, . . ."
- 3 Middle
- 4 "saying, Great is . . . of the Ephesians" (poetic)
- 5 "all that handle the . . ."
- 6 Monogram for Jesus
- 7 Weapon
- 8 Mountain range
- 10 Observer
- 12 " . . . me, and deliver me"
- 13 Having teeth adapted for cutting; not codes (anag.)
- 16 " . . . , with her towns and her vil-lages" Josh. 15:45.
- 19 Perfume
- 22 Each
- 23 "So the . . . was finished in the twenty and fifth day of the month Elul, in fifty and two days"
- 24 Palm leaf
- 25 Flying
- 30 Without light; poach it (anag.)
- 32 Large net
- 33 A Jonah (colloq.)
- 35 Father
- 36 Any of various cavities
- 38 Principle of the blessed thistle
- 41 Kind of beet
- 44 Part of a church
- 48 Church to England
- 49 Act in a loving way
- 51 "every . . . with . . . of his hands wrought in the work"
- 53 "what my God had put in my heart to . . . at Jerusalem"
- 55 Swedish

(Answers On Page 15)

—BR—

Mississippians will be interested to learn of the recent dedication of the First Church of Festus-Crystal City, Missouri. Rev. L. B. Golden, former pastor of the First Church, Columbia, is pastor.

## Petal-Harvey Church Makes Fine Record

## Training Union Reaches A1 Standard

Pastor Virgil Ratcliff and the Petal-Harvey Church, Hattiesburg, have closed a very successful year. Just one year ago Pastor Ratcliff went to Petal-Harvey. There has been 105 added to the church during this time.

The men's classes of the adult department of the Sunday School recently gave the pastor a new Elgin watch and a chain. The women of the church gave Mrs. Ratcliff an outfit costing more than \$100.00. The church is sending their pastor to the convention at Miami—and to Cuba.

The Training Union is the only standard Training Union in Lebanon Association. Miss Minnie Esther Ratcliff (no relation to the pastor), is the director. Sunday School averaged 222 for April. W. H. Clearman is superintendent. Money is being raised for a new educational plant, \$4,000.00 now on hand.

This church has turned out such men as Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Leon Clark, Army Air Forces, and Rev. Wayne Todd, First Baptist Church, Danville, Kentucky. Rev. Bob Lowe, former Chaplain's Assistant in the army, and now a student in Clarke College, is a member of this church. The young people of this church, with their consecrated leaders, are the pride of the church. The W. M. U. is now a standard A-1 W. M. U. family.

## BRAZILIAN BAPTISTS MEET IN ANNUAL CONVENTION

Three questions affecting the future of Brazilian Baptists were disposed of in their 30th National Assembly in Sao Paulo, January 20-26. These hinged around the Southern Seminary in Rio, the National Board of Young Peoples' Work, and the Nation Baptist paper, the "O Journal Batista." All three had become touchy questions, full of dynamite, and carried within them the possibility for either very constructive measures by the Convention or destructive contentions and misunderstandings among the Baptist family. All were discussed freely. Baptist rights were respected, and Baptist principles prevailed.

Not only were all these questions decided constructively and in every case by almost unanimous votes by the Convention, but toward the end of the Convention the presence of the Holy Spirit was evident. Tears and public pleas for personal forgiveness made one remember old time religious revivals. Brazilian Baptists were united as they have not been for nearly three decades. Ninety thousand Baptists are ready for action. Their numerical growth has been a miracle, but their denominational and spiritual growth have been in excess of their numbers.

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## New Orleans Hospital Will Offer One Recommendation To Southern Baptist Convention

BY LOUIS J. BRISTOW, Supt.  
The Board of Directors of Southern Baptist Hospital in the past has made only one recommendation to the Convention, namely, to approve its expansion within the policies and principles of the Convention. That recommendation was approved, and the hospital has grown in size and service, and is paid for. At the forthcoming Convention in Miami the Board will make another recommendation.

The Baptist Pastors' Conference of San Antonio, Texas, has petitioned the hospital to extend its ministry by establishing a hospital in that city; and the request has the approval and support of the Texas Baptist Convention's executive committee. It is proposed that San Antonio will furnish a site and not less than \$400,000 in cash for the enterprise. The hospital would, of course, be owned by the Southern Baptist Convention and administered by the present Board of Directors. Conditions in San Antonio are parallel to those in New Orleans when the Convention decided to establish a hospital there. After a thorough study of the San Antonio situation, the question was submitted to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. (There was no session of the Convention last year.) That Committee felt it should not pass upon the matter, but recommended that it be referred to the Convention.

Requests to establish hospitals under the authority of the Southern Baptist Convention have been received from groups, associations and at least one other State Convention in eight different states, but the Hospital Board felt none of them presented a case which called for the Convention taking part. It believes the San Antonio situation is exceptional and needs the sustaining influence of the entire Southern Baptist denomination. A full discussion of the matter and the Convention's hospital policy as adopted in 1924 is given in the Board's report. The Board believes a study of

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## CAPT. C. O. DANIELS RETURNS

Chaplain C. O. Daniels, captain in the armed forces, has just returned after 18 months in the European Theater of war. He served with the 300th Infantry Regiment, the 175th Regiment, the 29th Infantry Division and the 114th Evacuation Hospital at different times during his service from June, 1943 to April, 1946.

Pastorates held by him before he entered the chaplaincy include Calvary Church at Silver Creek, Immanuel Church at Hattiesburg and Scooba and DeKalb in Kemper county. During his absence the family remained at McComb. Mrs. Daniels was a great asset to the church, using her talents and time, working in the Central Baptist group in McComb, where Rev. Fred Bookter is pastor. Friends will welcome him back into the Mississippi Baptist work.

## BETHEL CHURCH LOSES PASTOR

The resignation of Rev. W. H. Wood as pastor at Bethel church in Rankin county has been received with regret by the church. Members state that more progress has been made during the three years of his pastorate than ever before. The membership has almost been doubled. A weekly prayer meeting has been started, which is doing splendid work. The church has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record. Four new Sunday school rooms have been added. A good Training Union was organized which is attaining almost 100%. The appreciation of the congregation has been expressed to the retiring pastor as he goes to his new field.

## New Buildings To Be Erected By Home Mission Board

The W. M. U. has provided \$18,000 for the construction of a mission building and pastor's home at Cherokee, North Carolina, and the Home Mission Board is proceeding to build.

Other mission building projects have been approved by the Home Mission Board for Yellow Hill Baptist Church (Indian) on the Cherokee Reservation in North Carolina, and a Sunday School annex at Jeanerette (French), Louisiana.

this will indicate the wisdom of its recommendation, which is:

"1. That the Convention approve the San Antonio request, based upon the terms outlined above;

"2. That no other branch of the Southern Baptist Hospital shall be established in any city without prior instructions of this Convention."

## RESOLUTION—Guide

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in His infinite Wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst Brother Cully Holderfield who was, for many years, a faithful member of the Calvary Baptist Church, and

WHEREAS, his love for his Church, and cause of Christ, was demonstrated during all those years by his unselfish service in the many activities of the Church as a Sunday School teacher, B.T.U. Leader, Church Clerk, and as a Deacon, and

WHEREAS, his love for his fellowman was demonstrated by his consecrated life, and genuine Christian fellowship, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Deacons of Calvary Baptist Church that although the passing of Brother Holderfield brings to us the loss of a consecrated life and a friend, we reverently bow unto the infinite wisdom of the Heavenly Father, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we keep and cherish the memory of his fellowship, friendship and consecrated life, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we extend to his bereaved family our sincere sympathy, friendship, and constant prayers, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to Brother Holderfield's family, a copy spread upon the minutes of Calvary Baptist Church, and a copy sent to the Baptist Record for publication.

## RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

W. C. HESTER, Chairman.  
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## SALEM ORGANIZES UNION

The Salem church, Kewanee, has organized a good Training Union which is making fine progress. The officers are as follows: President, Fred Culpepper; vice president, Barney Pickard; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Nell Smith; group leaders, Mrs. B. Culpepper and Miss Opal Roberson; social leader, Mrs. Sadie Carney; missionary leader, Leslie Wright; quiz leader, Mrs. Willie Mae Wright; song leader, Herbert Fuller and pianist, Mrs. D. Roberson. The junior leader is Mrs. E. Ingram.

This church also has a good Sunday school and the work is in fine condition, with bright prospects for the summer months.—Mrs. Nell Smith.



Answer to Crossword Puzzle Page 14

## Paynes Parsonage Dedicated

The new parsonage, by the side of the Paynes Church, was dedicated last Wednesday evening, with the Reverend V. R. Crider, pastor of Sardis Church, delivering the dedicatory message. Under the leadership of Brother Crider, a former pastor, a modern six room home, equipped with hardwood floors, butane gas, two baths, and several rooms furnished, was built by the Paynes community, with various denominations and individuals contributing.

Open house was held by the present pastor and his wife, Reverend and Mrs. Kermit Canterbury. About one hundred and thirty-five guests called during the evening. The dedication service followed in the church auditorium. Mrs. Spencer Brown gave a history of the building of the pastor's home; Mary Elizabeth Smith sang, and Buddy Shook, church treasurer, led the dedicatory prayer.

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# THIS CAMP WE BUILD

## Challenge From Our President



MRS. WILMA B. SLEDGE  
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The Woman's Missionary Union and every Mississippi Baptist is being asked to accept the challenge to build a Young People's Camp. This worthy cause is the imperative MUST of the next three months. We must build a permanent camp if we continue the camp program. We must build adequately for immediate needs. We must pay as we go, in order to keep inviolate the pledge of the convention. **WE MUST GIVE AT LEAST \$50,000 BY JULY 10.**

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## Southern Seminary Choir

Louisville, Ky., May —(Special)—  
The choir of the School of Church Music of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, which will appear on the program of the annual convention of the Woman's Missionary Union, at Miami, Fla., May 14, and on the program of the Southern Baptist Convention, Miami, May 15-19. The group will leave Louisville May 7, on its first annual tour, filling twelve concert engagements en route to and from Miami.

Front row, left to right: Donald Winters, director; Mary Emma Mills, Charleston, S. C.; Virginia Sumner, Clinton, S. C.; Mary Alice Jessee, Louisville, Ky.; Jean Prince, Camden, Ark.; Maxine Theis, San Antonio, Tex.; Sarita Andrews, Louisville, Ky.; Harriet Jane Groesbeck, Kansas City, Mo.; Ruth Garcia, Buenos Aires, Argentina; Marilyn Blanton, New Albany, Ind.; Shirley McGuff, Fayette, Ala.; Martha Jane Pillow, Washington, D. C.; Anna Belle Crouch, Neosho, Mo.; and Maxie King, Canton, Miss.

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## To Sing At Convention

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## Pre-Convention Broadcast Planned

A special pre-Convention Baptist Hour broadcast from Miami, Florida will be heard over the regular network next Sunday morning, May 12, Dr. J. M. Dawson of Waco, Texas, will speak on the subject, "The Baptist Contribution to the Next Century." Dr. C. Roy Angell of Miami will also be heard in words of welcome to Miami, where the Convention opens on May 15.

This broadcast is made possible by the courtesy of the Methodist Hour which will stand aside in order that people everywhere may catch something of the spirit of this convention in which 5,000 messengers representing 5,865,000 Southern Baptists will join in launching a New Century With Christ.

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WREC, Memphis—8:30 a. m. CST.  
WDSU, New Orleans—7:30 a. m. CST following Sunday.

## MISSIONARY HENDON HARRIS SAILS FOR CHINA

Dr. H. M. Harris, for many years a missionary to China, has sent a letter, which the Editor shares with Mississippi friends of this veteran representative of Southern Baptists. The letter follows:

On April 25 I sail from Seattle to return to China. Because of unsettled conditions in the Far East, Mrs. Harris will not be permitted to accompany me. My heart is filled with joy as I go back to the country where I have lived for so many years as a missionary, though there is a feeling of sadness that I must leave my family.

A great opportunity and a great welcome awaits me in China. There are appalling needs—hunger, destitution and disease. This is an hour of destiny for preaching the Gospel to the vast masses of China. Never have Southern Baptists been presented with such a challenge. No nation has a more sincere admiration and friendship for American than China. And mark this: as long as China and America stand firmly together there will be no other World War. Not even Britain is more vital to world peace than China. Let it never be forgotten that World War II began in China in 1931 when Japan invaded Manchuria.

At the request of the Foreign Mission Board, Dr. Wilson Fielder and myself are going back to the Interior China Mission, to do what we can to help reorganize our work damaged by the ravages of a war of over eight years' duration. As Baptists our mission work in China is over 100 years old and approximately one-half of all our missionary workers are designated to that land. China is the oldest nation, one of the big four in the UNO, and has a population so vast that even 20,000,000 deaths dur-

ing the recent struggle makes no noticeable shrinkage of her numbers. The hour has struck for perhaps the greatest missionary advance in a single nation since the birth of our Saviour. Oh, that there were somewhere, a voice so clear and so commanding that all Christendom would awake to the realization of the vast issues that hang in the balance in the Far East! For 50 per cent of the entire human race live in the Far East, and China now stands out pre-eminently as the leader and spokesman of the so-called "colored races." God grant that always there will be overtones of Christian influence as China speaks, as speak she will, for 1,000,000,000 people who face us on the other side of the Pacific.

Since coming back from China some years ago I have spoken in 16 states, approximately 1,500 times. Now I return to the land where I went for the first time over 35 years ago. Great strides forward have occurred in the intervening years. Great days are ahead. This is word of goodbye and Godspeed to those I have met and spoken to in my wanderings over the South. Do not forget to pray for me and all your missionaries.

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## Chaplain Holmes Completes Service

Chaplain R. L. Holmes has just completed 40 months of service in the Army, and is now available for pastoral work.

Formerly he served as pastor at the First Baptist Church, Bossier City, La., and at Highland church in Dallas, Texas. He was pastor at the Dallas church when it was built. Chaplain Holmes' address is now Chamblee, Ga.